PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Ancistrocladus tectorius* (Loureiro) Merrill

**GENUS** *Ancistrocladus* **FAMILY** Dipterocarpaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Ox-tongue

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Leaves, Spice

The young leaves are used as a flavouring. They are cooked in vegetable soup.

## DESCRIPTION

A woody climber. It has a tough stem. The stems can be 20 m long. The side branches have hooks. The leaves are narrowly oval and 7-38 cm long by 2-9 cm wide.

## HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows on sandy soil. It grows near the sea.

## NOTES

The Dipterocarpaceae are tropical.
Also put in the family Ancistrocladaceae.

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