PLANT FACT SHEET

Calamus floribundus Griff.

GENUS *Calamus* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Shoots, Pith

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A climbing rattan or cane. The stems are in clusters. The leaf sheath is 3 cm across. It has long spines. The leaflets are sword shaped and 50 cm long by 3-4 cm wide. The fruit are round and 1 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in moist forests and lower hill valleys.

NOTES

There are 375-400 Calamus species. There are 175 species in tropical Asia.

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