PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Crinum macowanii Baker

GENUS *Crinum* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Cape coast lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Root

DESCRIPTION

A bulb. The bulbs are 6-25 cm across. It has fleshy roots. The leaves are large and up to 1 m long by 2-20 cm wide. They are bright green and fleshy and strap-like with wavy edges. The flowers are white with pink stripes. They have a scent.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows well in sun but can tolerate light shade. They are drought tolerant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are usually grown by seeds.

REFERENCES

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