PLANT FACT SHEET

Brachycorythis obcordata (Lindley) Summerhayes

GENUS *Brachycorythis* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

COMMON NAMES Gangdol

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Pseudobulb, Leaves

The Pseudobulbs are boiled and eaten.
The tender leaves and shoots are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

An orchid. It grows to about 20 cm high. The pseudobulbs are small. The leaves do not have a stalk. The leaves are 2-4 cm long by 0.8-1.8 cm wide. They are oblong to sword shaped. The base narrows and is clasps the stem. The flowers are pale purple.

HABITAT

In Nepal it grows between 900-2000 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or pseudobulbs.

NOTES

There are about 35 Brachycorythis species.

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