PLANT FACT SHEET

Eulophia livingstoniana (Reich.f.) Summerh.

GENUS *Eulophia* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Pseudobulbs

DESCRIPTION

A ground orchid. It can grow 60 cm tall. It has tall erect stalks bearing a loose spike of showy flowers. The leaves are long and narrow with parallel veins. The flowers are lilac coloured. The petals are 1.5-2 cm long by 8-13 mm wide. The lip has 3 lobes.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. They grow in summer rainfall areas and die back during the dry season.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from tubers. They can also be grown by seed but with more difficulty.

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