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.

Aglaonema costatum N. E. Br.

GENUS *Aglaonema* **FAMILY** Araceae

COMMON NAMES Spotted evergreen, Malay evergreen

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Caution: It contains oxalates that burn the throat.

DESCRIPTION

A taro family plant. It is a herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows about 50-100 cm tall. The leaf blade is 12-45 cm long by 4-16 cm wide. They are oval to heart shaped and dark green with white marks. The base is often unequal. There are 7-9 pairs of spreading and arched veins. The flowers are in clusters of 1-9. The spathe is boat-shaped and oval. It can be 2.5 cm long. The fruit is a fleshy green berry.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in tropical swamps and rainforests up to 400 m above sea level. It is best in part shade.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds, stem cuttings of sections of the rhizome.

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