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.

Solanum ochranthum Dunal

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Zimbalo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Caution: It should not be eaten in large amounts.

DESCRIPTION

A large woody vine. It grows 8-10 m long. It climbs over other plants. The stems are 6-8 cm across at the base. The leaves are compound and 13-35 cm long and 11-20 cm wide. There are 3-5 pairs of leaflets. The flowering shoots are 8-20 cm long and branched many times. The fruit are 2-5 cm wide, The fruit have a thick woody coat.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in mountain forests between 1,900-4,100 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 1400 Solanum species.

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