PLANT FACT SHEET

Ceropegia hirsuta Wt. & Arn.

GENUS *Ceropegia* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Hairy ceropegia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Root

The tubers are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

An upright or climbing herb. The stems can be 1 m long. It has an underground tuber. The leaves are oval and 6.5 cm long by 3 cm wide. They are hairy on both sides. The flowers are 5 cm long and swollen in the lower part.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. They can also be grown from stem cuttings.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Tubers 2-3 cm across can be harvested after 2 years.

NOTES

There are about 160-200 Ceropegia species. Also put in the family Asclepiadaceae.

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