PLANT FACT SHEET

Alpinia kwangsiensis T. L. Wu & S. J. Chen

GENUS *Alpinia* **FAMILY** Zingiberaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Vegetable, Fruit, Flowers

The leaves/stems are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.
The fruit are used as a spice.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. The false stems are 2-3 m tall. The leaf stalk is 4-8 cm long. The leaves are oblong and 40-60 cm long by 8-16 cm wide. They are hairy underneath. The tip rolls in a spiral. The flowering shoots are 13-30 cm long. There are many flowers. They are pale purple and white.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in shaded wet places from sea level to 700 m above sea level in southern China. It grows in Yunnan in China.

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