PLANT FACT SHEET

Ophiopogon intermedius D. Don

GENUS *Ophiopogon* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Tubers

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.
The tubers are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. The roots can be fleshy. There is a short thick rhizome. The leaves are at the base and in tufts. They do not have leaf stalks and are like grass leaves. They are 15-55 cm long by 2-15 mm wide. There are teeth along the edge. The flower stalk is 20-50 cm tall and there are many flowers in a small panicle. The flowers are in clusters or 2 or 3 and they are white or purplish.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in evergreen broad-leaved forests and bamboo forests in moist shady places between 700-3,000 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

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