PLANT FACT SHEET

Lilium canadense L.

GENUS *Lilium* **FAMILY** Liliaceae

COMMON NAMES Canada or Wild Yellow Lily, Meadow lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Bulbs, Flowers

The fleshy bulb can be roasted and added to soups or stews.

DESCRIPTION

A bulb plant. It grows 90-180 cm high and 25-30 cm wide. The flower stems are long and arched. The flowers are carried up and out from the stem. The bells hang vertically. There can be 20 flowers. They have a light scent. They vary in colour from yellow to orange or red. They usually have dark spots on the inside. The flowers are 5-8 cm long. The segments turn up gently at the tips.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is frost hardy. It needs moist lime free soil. It grows in rich moist soil, wet meadows, and ditches. It suits hardiness zone 6.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or by scales.

NOTES

There are about 100 Lilium species.

PICTURES



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