PLANT FACT SHEET

Dioscorea membranacea Pierre ex Prain & Burkill

GENUS *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root, Rhizome

DESCRIPTION

A yam. The vine climbs 10 m tall. The rhizome is 4-8 cm long by 1-5 cm wide. It is branching and spreading. The vine twines to the left. The leaves have a 3-5 pointed lobes. The leaves are simple and alternate. The leaf stalks are 2-13 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Sections of the rhizome 10-16 cm long are used.

NOTES

It is used as an anticancer plant.

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