PLANT FACT SHEET

Ceropegia purpurascens K. Schum.

GENUS *Ceropegia* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Tubers

The tubers are baked in the ashes and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A herb with a corm or bulb. It is succulent and can be a climber. It can grow 3 m high. It grows from a flattened tuberous rootstock. The leaves are large. They are 7 cm long and 2-3 cm wide on leaf stalks 1 cm long. The flowers occur as many together. The fruit are in pairs and growing opposite each other.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It can tolerate shade. In southern Africa it grows between 900-1,200 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

Also put in the family Asclepiadaceae.

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