PLANT FACT SHEET

Sphenostylis marginata subsp. erecta E. Mey., (Baker f.) Verdc.

GENUS *Sphenostylis* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Yellow pea

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Vegetable, Flowers, Leaves, Tubers, Root, Pods

The flowers and occasionally the leaves are eaten cooked.
The seeds or beans have been eaten in times of hunger. They are cooked in the pods.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It has long roots 60-90 cm long. The leaves have 3 leaflets. The leaflets are narrowly oval and taper to the tip. The flowers are yellow and in clusters on the ends of long stalks.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows between 330-1,800 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

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