PLANT FACT SHEET

Vigna lobatifolia Baker

GENUS *Vigna* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Roots, Tubers

The root tubers are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It is a climber and can keep growing from year to year. It has a deep fleshy taproot. The leaves have 3 leaflets and the end leaflet has 3 lobes. The flowers are in groups in the axils of leaves. The seeds are brown.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It can grow in dry sandy soils. It grows between 300-450 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places. It suits the seasonally dry tropics.

NOTES

There are about 150 Vigna species. They are mostly in the tropics.

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