PLANT FACT SHEET

Rhynchanthus longiflorus Hook. f.

GENUS *Rhynchanthus* **FAMILY** Zingiberaceae

COMMON NAMES East-Indian beak-flower

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Shoots

DESCRIPTION

A ginger family herb. It grows on trees. The leafy shoots are 60-100 cm long and hang down. There are 10-12 leaves that are strap shaped. The leaf blade is 16-22 cm long by 4-6 cm wide. They are pale green underneath and they taper to the tip. The flowers are at the ends of the branches. They are in loose spikes. There are 5-6 in a group. They are bright red and yellowish green in the centre and 9-10 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in moist tropical forest.

NOTES

It is rare.

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