PLANT FACT SHEET

Cyathea hornei (Baker) Copel

GENUS *Cyathea* **FAMILY** Cyatheaceae

COMMON NAMES Dingo dingo, Reve

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fronds, Leaves

The young fronds are occasionally cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree fern. It is rather slender in the trunk and 3-4 m high. The stem of the frond is 25 cm long and very dark. The part near the base has pale edged scales. The lower leaflets on the stalk are reduced and narrow. The largest leaflets are 40-50 cm long. There fertile and sterile leaflets have different shapes. The fertile ones are 50-60 mm long by 11-17 mm wide. (It is smaller in size than other tree ferns and rhizomes or suckers which produce new plants. The ferns therefore occur in a clump.)

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in wet forest and stunted mossy forest. It grows between about 700 and 2,000 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from the rhizomes or suckers that develop at the base of the plant.

NOTES

There are about 800 Cyathea species.

PICTURES



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