PLANT FACT SHEET

Dioscorea bemarivensis Jum. & H. Perrier

GENUS *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

COMMON NAMES Trengitrengy

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root

DESCRIPTION

A yam. The vine is long. It spreads along the ground. It twines to the left. The leaves are alternate with leaflets arranged like fingers on a hand. There are 3-5 leaflets. They are shiny green. There can be bulbils along the vine.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Madagascar it grows in seasonally dry forests along the western region.

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