PLANT FACT SHEET

Solanum lyratum Thunb.

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Bai Ying, Hiyodori-Shogo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb that grows as a vine. It has many branches. It grows 3 m tall. It is hairy. The leaves are narrowly oval or lyre shaped and 3-11 cm long by 2-6 cm wide. The base is heart shaped. There can be 3-5 lobes. There can be a few or many flowers in a group near the ends of branches. They are blue to purple or white.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. It grows between 100-2,900 m above sea level in southern China. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 1400 Solanum species.

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