PLANT FACT SHEET

Calamus inermis T.Anderson

GENUS *Calamus* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

COMMON NAMES Danhang

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Shoots

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A rattan. The stems are in clusters. It climbs to 30 m tall. It is 6 cm across. The leaf sheaths are green with light brown hairs. There are spines 4 cm long. The leafy stalk is 4 m long with 36-40 sword shaped leaflets on each side. These can be clustered. The middle ones are 40-55 cm long by 3-7 cm wide. The fruit are white to yellowish brown and round or oval. They are 2.5 cm long by 2.5 cm wide.

HABITAT

It grows between 1300-1800 m altitude in Yunnan in China. It grows in subtropical broad-leaved evergreen forest. It grows in evergreen forest. It grows between about 500-900 m altitude.

NOTES

There are 375-400 Calamus species. There are 175 species in tr

REFERENCES

A Rapid Participatory Biodiversity Assessment. 2007, Southern Lao PDR. IUCN p 104 (As Calamus wailong)

Dransfield, J., et al, 2004, A preliminary checklist to Thai Palms. Thai For. Bull. (Bot.) 32:32-72 (As Calamus wailong)

Jin, Chen et al, 1999, Ethnobotanical studies on Wild Edible Fruits in Southern Yunnan: Folk Names: Nutritional Value and Uses. Economic Botany 53(1) pp 2-14 (As Calamus nambariensis Becc. var. xishuangbannaensis S. J. Prei et S. Y. Chen)

Evans, T. D., et al, 2002, A Synopsis of the Rattans (Arecaceae: Calamoideae) of Laos and Neighbouring Parts of Indochina. Kew Bulletin, Vol. 57, No. 1 (2002), pp. 1-84 (As Calamus nambariensis) and (As Calamus platyacanthoides) and (As Calamus wailong)

Zona, S., Heart of Palm Use: A Family Survey. p 2 (As Calamus platyacanthoides) and (As Calamus wailong)

PROVIDED BY **Food Plants International**

French, B.R. & Maynard, A.R. Food Plants International Database. Food Plants International

LICENCE CC BY-NC-SA 3.0

ONLINE FACT SHEET https://www.echocommunity.org/en/resources/73678be1-0118-49c9-9c6c-b64904a2e26d