PLANT FACT SHEET

Nervilia bicarinata (Blume) Schltr.

GENUS *Nervilia* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Root

DESCRIPTION

An orchid. It is an erect herb growing in soil. It grows 17-75 cm tall. The flowers are evenly spaced along the stalk. They are greenish yellow with dark red veins. The leaves appear after flowering. They are held well above ground and lying flat to the ground level. The are large and 22.5 cm long by 26.5 cm wide. They are heart shaped at the base. There are 1-2 tubers that are 1-3 cm long by 1-5 cm wide. They are a flattened round shape.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests often near rivers.

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