PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Crinum asiaticum L.

GENUS *Crinum* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Spider lily, Giant crinum lily, Monsoon lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are boiled and eaten.
(The bulb is recorded as eaten in Orisha India)
Caution: The bulb is poisonous.

DESCRIPTION

A bulb plant. It grows 1.2 m tall. The leaves are dark green and strap like. They are 1 m long and 10 cm wide. The flowers are tube shaped and white. They are in clusters on thick succulent stems. The stamens are purple.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits light sandy soils. It must be grown in a sunny position. It grows in wetlands. It suits hardiness zones 7-10. In XTBG Yunnan. At MARDI.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds, the bulb or small bulblets.

NOTES

It is used in medicine.

PICTURES



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