PLANT FACT SHEET

Gladiolus ecklonii Lehm.

GENUS *Gladiolus* **FAMILY** Iridaceae

COMMON NAMES Sheathed gladiolus

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Corms, Root

The flowers are eaten raw after the anthers are removed. They are also cooked.
The corms are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It has a corm with long bristles. There are about 5 leaves. They spread fan wise. They are 20-25 cm long by 1.5-2 cm wide. The flowering stalk is 50 cm high. The flowers overlap each other in a spike. They are white with purple speckles.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. In Swaziland it grows in the high veld only.

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