PLANT FACT SHEET

Cardiopteris moluccana Blume

GENUS *Cardiopteris* **FAMILY** Cardiopteridaceae

COMMON NAMES Blood vine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A climber or vine. The stems are twining and 9 m long. The stem can be 12 cm across. The stems have a milky sap. The leaves are oval or heart shaped. The leaf blade is 6-17 cm long by 5-17 cm wide. The flowering shoot is branched and there are many small flowers. The flowers are 3 mm across. They are white. The fruit are oval and 3 cm long. The fruit have 2 wings.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Queensland it grows from sea level to 700 m above sea level. It grows in rainforest.

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