PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Dioscorea aculeata* L.

**GENUS** *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Tuber, Root

The tuber is boiled and eaten.

## DESCRIPTION

A yam. It is a climber.

Possibly now Dioscorea esculent although the name with L. has not been verified.

## HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

## PRODUCTION

### Harvesting and Seed Production

A tuber can be 1.8 kg.

## NOTES

Dioscorea aculeata L. is an unresolved name in The Plant List
Dioscorea aculeata Roxb. is a synonym of Dioscorea esculenta

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