PLANT FACT SHEET

Dichopogon fimbriatus R. Br.

GENUS *Dichopogon* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Nodding Chocolate lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root, Flowers

The tuberous roots are bitter but are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

An erect herb. It has a tuber and keeps growing from year to year. It grows to 1 m high. The leaves are grass-like. They are 40 cm long and 12 mm wide. They occur in tufts of 2-12 leaves. The flowers are nodding blue or violet. They are about 3 cm across. They have 6 spreading segments. Flowers occur in groups of 2-4 along un-branched flowering stems. The fruit is a rounded capsule 8 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It occurs in grassland, woodland and open forest. It can grow on a variety of soils.

NOTES

There are 12 Arthropodium species.
Also put in the family Laxmanniaceae.

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