PLANT FACT SHEET

Hesperantha baurii Baker

GENUS *Hesperantha* **FAMILY** Iridaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Corm, Vegetable

The corm or bulb is eaten as a snack.

DESCRIPTION

A herb which produces a corm. It grows 30-60 cm tall. The leaves at the base are long and narrow. They are 3 mm wide. The flowers are in spikes of up to 20. They are on stalks 40 cm high. These are zigzag. The fruit is an oval, thin-walled capsule. The seeds are oval and brown.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

They can be grown from fresh seed or offsets.

NOTES

There are about 75 Hesperantha species. They grow in Africa.

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