PLANT FACT SHEET

**Poisonous**

This plant, or parts of it, can be poisonous. Do not eat it unless you know which parts are safe and how they must be prepared.

**Food Plants International:** Fruit Poisonous

# *Dracaena fragrans* (L.) Ker Gawler

**GENUS** *Dracaena* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Forest dracaena

## DESCRIPTION

A shrub like plant. It is succulent. It grows 10 m tall. The stems are soft wooded and do not have branches. It can be erect or scrambling. The leaves are leathery and crowded in rings. The flowers are white to purple and are in groups at the top of the plant. The fruit are 1-2 cm across.

## HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the understorey in mountain forest. It grows between 600-2,250 m above sea level.

## PRODUCTION

### Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or cuttings.

## NOTES

Also put in the family Dracaenaceae.

## PICTURES



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