PLANT FACT SHEET

Ceropegia candelabrum L.

GENUS *Ceropegia* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Candlestick ceropegia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Leaves, Root

The tubers are eaten raw or roasted. They are also used in a fermented drink.
The leaves are also eaten as a pot herb.

DESCRIPTION

A climbing herb. It grow 30-100 cm long. It has tuberous roots. The tubers are 3-4 cm across and flattened from the top. The leaves are narrowly oval or oblong and arranged opposite. They are 5-10 cm long. The flowers are white to yellow and 2-3 cm long. The flower tube is swollen at the base. The seed pods are 10 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. Rajasthan. It grows in scrub forest.

NOTES

There are about 160-200 Ceropegia species. Previously in Asclepiadaceae.

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