PLANT FACT SHEET

Asystasia dalzelliana Santapau

GENUS *Asystasia* **FAMILY** Acanthaceae

COMMON NAMES Violet asystasia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Flowers

The flowers are leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows about 60-100 cm tall and is branched. The stems are angular and swollen at the nodes. The leaves are opposite and unequal but oval. The flowers are purple. They are trumpet shaped and 3-4 cm long. They have 2 lips. The upper one has 4 lobes and the lower lip is dark violet.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

NOTES

It is considered to have good medicinal properties.

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