PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Lilium auratum* Lindl.

**GENUS** *Lilium* **FAMILY** Liliaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Golden-rayed lily, Golden-banded lily, Mountain lily

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Root, Bulb, Vegetable

The bulbs are used as a vegetable. They are slimy and are boiled, sweetened, powdered or added to dumplings.
They are used in egg custard.

## DESCRIPTION

A bulb plant. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 1-1.5 m high. The leaves are sword shaped and 10-15 cm long. The flowers are large and up to 30 cm across. They are white or yellow and have red spots. They have a strong scent. The fruit is a flat seed.

## HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in mountainous regions and on steep slopes. It needs moist, well-drained soil. It suits hardiness zone 6.

## PRODUCTION

### Cultivation

Plants can be grown from bulbs or seeds.

## NOTES

There are about 100 Lilium species.

## PICTURES



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