PLANT FACT SHEET

Dioscorea piperifolia Humb. & Bonpl. ex Willd.

GENUS *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

COMMON NAMES Caratinga

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Root

DESCRIPTION

A yam. A climbing plant. It forms tubers. The leaves are a rounded heart shape.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

NOTES

There are about 650 species of Dioscorea.

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