PLANT FACT SHEET

Afrosolen erythrantha (Klotzsch ex Klatt) Goldblatt & Manning

GENUS *Afrosolen* **FAMILY** Iridaceae

COMMON NAMES Bluebells

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Corm, Root

The corms are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

An erect annual plant. The stems are 60 cm long and branching. They are delicate. The leaves are narrow and the lower two are longer than the upper ones. The flowers have 6 mauve petals. They are at the end of a long tube. The flowers open in the evening and early morning.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in locally damp sites.

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