PLANT FACT SHEET

Wolffia globosa (Roxb.) Hartog & Plas

GENUS *Wolffia* **FAMILY** Araceae

COMMON NAMES Water-eggs

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Plant, Leaves, Stem, Flowers

The leaves are cooked in curries with minced pork or chicken.

DESCRIPTION

A very small herb. It floats on water. The fronds are free floating. They are green on the upper surface and transparent green underneath. The plant body is 0.6 mm long. It is one of the smallest flowering plants of the world.

HABITAT

A tropical and subtropical plant. They grow in lakes, pools and ditches in warm or tropical regions. It grows in wetlands. It grows in full sun.

PRODUCTION

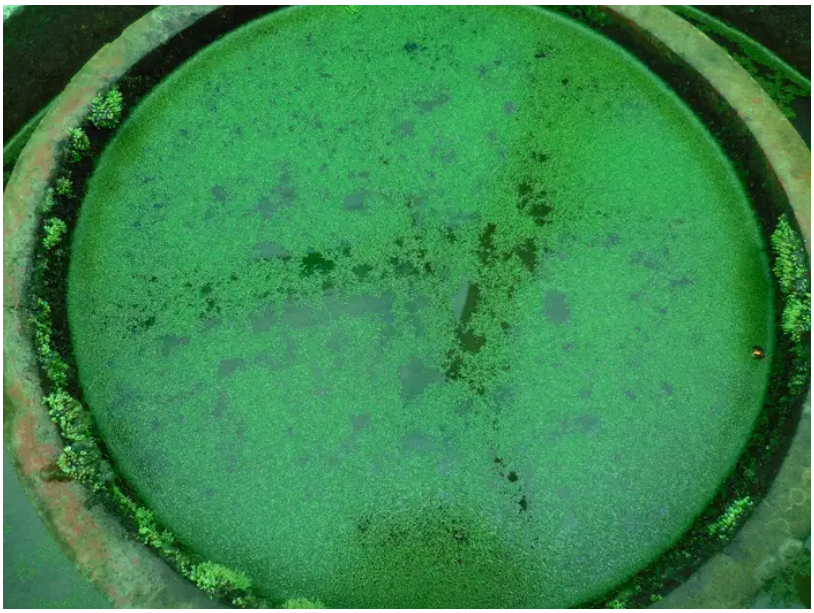
Harvesting and Seed Production

Each plant can produce 12 daughter plants during its 1-2 month lifecycle. These multiply at a very fast rate.

NOTES

There are 11 Wolffia species. They can be 40% protein on a dry weight. It is also rich in vitamins. Also in the family Lemnaceae.

PICTURES



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