PLANT FACT SHEET

Hesperantha petitiana (A. Rich.) Baker

GENUS *Hesperantha* **FAMILY** Iridaceae

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows 8-30 cm high. It is similar to Hesperantha baurii. The corms are 7-12 mm across. There are 3-4 leaves. They are 2-6 mm wide. The flowering spike has 2-6 flowers. They are pink, light purple or white. The fruit is a capsule 10-15 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in highland areas. It grows in rocky sites above 1,800 m above sea level.

NOTES

Possibly edible.
Plants can have different numbers of chromosomes.

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