PLANT FACT SHEET

Ceropegia cumingiana Decne

GENUS *Ceropegia* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Ceropegia, Anareata

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root

The root is recorded as being eaten. It is probably used when other foods are scarce.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen vine. It grows to 1.5 m high, and spreads to 1 m across. The stem is slender and climbing. It loses its leaves during the year. The stems arise from a thickened tuberous rootstocks. The leaves are oval and they taper to a point. They are 6-10 cm long. The flowers are white and like tubes. They have brown expanded lobes united at the tip. The fruit are pointed linear follicles. The fruit are 10 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It does best in humus rich, moist, well drained soil. It suits a sheltered, warm, sunny position. It is drought and frost tender. Near Townsville in Australia it grows from sea level to 700 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or cuttings, or by dividing the tubers.

NOTES

There are about 160-200 Ceropegia species. Probably now in Apocynaceae

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