PLANT FACT SHEET

Spathiphyllum commutatum Schott

GENUS *Spathiphyllum* **FAMILY** Araceae

COMMON NAMES Peace lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb about 1 m high. It has underground stems or rhizomes that produce a clump. The leaves are large and dark green. They are oval and taper towards both ends. The leaf stalk is long. Flowers are large and white. There is a large leaf like structure wrapped around the fleshy fruit stalk. The seeds are pink.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in part shade and in rich, well-drained soil. It grows up to 1,400 m above sea level. It occurs from Luzon to Mindanao in the Philippines. It is very frost tender.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or by rhizomes.

NOTES

There are about 60 Spathiphyllum species.

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