PLANT FACT SHEET

Camassia scilloides (Raf.) Cory

GENUS *Camassia* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Eastern Camass, Atlantic Camas, Camass lily, Wild hyacinth

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Bulbs

The onion like bulbs can be boiled or baked. They are also eaten raw. The bulbs can be dried and stored.

DESCRIPTION

A slender herb. It grows 50 cm tall. It has a brown, smooth bulb. This can be 1-2.5 cm across. The leaves are narrow. They are 20-50 cm long by 5-15 mm wide. They are at the base. The flower stalks are in narrow clusters. The flowers are pale blue. The fruit is small and has 3 parts. It is a round capsule. They are edible.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in moist meadows.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seeds or by transplanting bulbs.

NOTES

There are 6 Camassia species.
Also put in the family Hyacinthaceae.

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