PLANT FACT SHEET

Alisma canaliculatum A. Braun. & C. D. Bouché

GENUS *Alisma* **FAMILY** Alismataceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

CAUTION; This plant probably contains poisons which are destroyed on cooking or drying.
The young leaves are reported cooked and used in soups.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows up to 80 cm high. It develops tubes 1-3 cm across. The leaves have stalks 9-30 cm long. They are sword shaped and 6-45 cm long by 1-5 cm wide. The flowering groups are 35-65 cm long with 3-6 rings of 3-8 branches of flowers. They are white.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on the edges of lakes and streams. It grows naturally in wet places all over Japan. It suits wet ground and water up to 25 cm deep.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or by division of the plant. Fresh seed should be used and pots should be kept in water to keep the soil wet.

NOTES

There are 10 Alisma species.

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