PLANT FACT SHEET

Curcuma caesia Roxb.

GENUS *Curcuma* **FAMILY** Zingiberaceae

COMMON NAMES Black zedoary

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Rhizome - spice, Root, Flowers

The fresh rhizome is occasionally used as a spice.

DESCRIPTION

A ginger family herb. It keeps growing from year to year. The rhizome is bluish-black. It grows 2-6 m long. The plant grows 1 m tall. The leaves are in groups of 10-20 and are broadly sword shaped. The flowers are 15-20 cm long in a spike. The flowers develop before the leaves.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Queen Sirikit BG.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from the rhizome.

NOTES

It is used in medicine.

PICTURES



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