PLANT FACT SHEET

Crinum uniflorum F. Muell.

GENUS *Crinum* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Swamp crinum, Bush lily

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root

The tuber is scraped and made into a paste.

DESCRIPTION

A small lily. It continues to grow from year to year from the bulb. It grows 50 cm high. The leaves are smooth and limp. They are 10-40 cm long by 0.2-2 cm wide. The flowers are pink or white. The stamens are red or purple. The flowers are 10-12 cm across in groups. The flower stalk is 30-50 cm long. The fruit is a round green capsule.

HABITAT

It grows in tropical places. It grows in open forests where occasional floods occur. It prefers full sun. It is cold sensitive.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. Seeds grow readily in moist conditions. It can also be grown by division.

NOTES

There are over 100 Crinum species.

PICTURES



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