



PLANT FACT SHEET

Yucca rupicola Scheele

GENUS *Yucca* FAMILY Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Twisted-leaf yucca

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Fruit, Stem

The flowers can be eaten raw or cooked. They can also be dried and crushed and used as flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub without a stem and with a ring of spiny leaves. The leaves are sword shaped and twisted. They are 35-60 cm long by 1.4-7 cm wide. They are widest near the middle and are fleshy. The flowers hang down. They are white or greenish. The fruit are erect and cylinder shaped. They are 4-5.5 cm long. The seeds are dull black and 6-8 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

NOTES

There are about 40 *Yucca* species.
Also put in the family Agavaceae.

PICTURES



Credit: Food Plants International (Bruce French)

REFERENCES

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