



PLANT FACT SHEET

Hanguana malayana Merr.

GENUS *Hanguana* FAMILY Hanguanaceae

COMMON NAMES Common susum

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Stems, Runners, Bud

The apical bud is cooked and then eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A lily like herb. It grows 2.5 m tall. It has floating stolons or runners 3 m long. The leaves are simple and in rings at the base of the stem. The leaves are 80-100 cm across and 8-15 cm wide. It does not have a leaf stalk. The flowers are in a group at the end. This can be 1.2 m long with bracts 22 cm long. The flowers have 3 petals. They are yellow or green and can be spotted with red. They are 3 mm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in open muddy areas in rainforest.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds and stolons.

NOTES

There is only one genus in the Hanguanaceae family and five species. They occur in Malesia.

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