PLANT FACT SHEET

Dioscorea sagittifolia Pax.

GENUS *Dioscorea* **FAMILY** Dioscoreaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers, Root

The tubers are cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A yam. The vines are 8 m long. They twine to the right-hand. The tuber is deep rooted. The leaves are alternate. The leaves are triangle or sword shaped. They taper tot eh tip. They are 10-13 cm long by 6-8 cm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in the Sahel. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are about 650 species of Dioscorea.

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