PLANT FACT SHEET

Satyrium sceptrum Schltr.

GENUS *Satyrium* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber

DESCRIPTION

An orchid. It grows 40-90 cm tall. The tubers are 2-5 cm long and narrowly oval. The sterile shoot has 3-4 leaves with the lowest 2 sheathing the stem. The flowering stem has 10 sheathing leaves up to 16 cm long. The flowering shoot is 7-26 cm long by 3-3.5 cm wide. There are many flowers. They are orange, yellow or red. The flowers curve outwards.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

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