

Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Common name

Cunjevoi, Spoon Lily, Elephant Ears

Family

Araceae

Where found

Rainforest, **rainforest** margins, and disturbed **rainforest**. Coast and the eastern edge of the ranges, north of Berry.

Notes

Massive **erect** to sprawling **perennial** herb to 1.8 m high. Fruit fleshy. Stem about 12 cm diameter, covered in old leaf bases. Leaves **alternating** up the stems, 45-90 cm long, 300-600 mm wide, glossy green, hairless. Flowers highly fragrant. Individual flowers small, with 0 **petals**. Male and female flowers on the same plant, in a **spike**, male flowers above, female flowers below, separated from the males by rudimentary flowers. Spathe 150-250 mm long, usually green, withering away. Flower spike shorter than the **spathe**, tapering. Fruit pink to red when ripe, the fruiting spike enclosed by the lower part of the withered spathe. Flowering: mostly early summer.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Alocasia~brisbanensis> (accessed 2 January, 2021)

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