

Plants of Guam

Zehneria guamensis

Cucurbitaceae



Zehneria plant in pot under cultivation.



Female flower closeup



Leaf closeup with foliar disease

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Zehneria guamensis* (Merr.) Fosberg

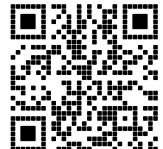
SUBFAMILY: Cucurbitaceae

COMMON NAME: Zehneria

CHAMORRO NAME: Ahgaga

ORIGIN: Endemic to Guam

DISTRIBUTION: Guam





Zehneria is a viny plant climbing up a post



Emergence of two cotyledons of a seedling

FORM: A slender glabrous climber or creeper, monoecious

STEM: Slender and elongate; tendrils simple up to 15 cm

LEAVES: Thin slightly ovate leaf blade with darker green on top side and lighter green bottom side

FLOWER: Male flowers in racemes, corolla white to pale yellow 5 mm long; female flowers solitary

FRUIT: Freshy, globose, purplish-black when ripe, ovate-oblong, 1-3 cm x 7-10 mm

SEED: Numerous, flat, grey-white, ovate-oblong, very tiny 4 x 2 mm and 0.5 mm thick

HABITAT: Near coasts on limestone, in partial shade, creeping or climbing

PROPAGATION: Seeds



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