

# *Canna indica* L.

**Synonyms** : *Canna edulis* Ker Gawl

**Family** : Cannaceae

**Parts Used** : Rhizome

**Vernacular Names**

English : Canna

Malayalam : Konthavazha



**Distribution and Habitat:** West Indies and South America.

**Botany:** It is a perennial plant with rhizomatous roots. The plants attain a height of 3 m and produce bright red flowers.

**Properties:** Diuretic, antidaibetic, antioxidant

**Chemical constituents:** Swietinine and Typhasterol, rosmarinic acid, salvianolic acid B, ferulic acid, caffeic acid etc

**Uses:** Paste made from rhizomes applied in bone fracture. remedy against ringworm. Used in irregular menstruation

**Agrotechnology**

**Soil & Climate:** They grow well in warm humid climate with well drained organic rich soil.

**Propagation:** Divisions of rhizomes.

