

Chamaecostus cuspidatus (Nees & Mart.)

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Native to SE Brazil (Rio de Janeiro, Bahia, & Espírito Santo); "in primary forests in deep shade." Maas (1972): Fl. Neotrop. 8: 33.

Synonyms: *Globba cuspidata* Nees & Mart., *Costus cuspidatus* (Nees & Mart.) Maas, *Costus igneus* N. E. Brown.



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Lyon L-67.1095, source?; pre-1956?, as *C. igneus*; vouchers: KMN 714 - HLA, 2370 - HLA, E. Stems succulent, reddish-purple, 40-50 cm height, 12-15 mm diameter at base. Leaves succulent, obovate, acute, green above, suffused with purple below. Inflorescence with up to 15 flowers; bracts leafy, green. Corolla bright orange, 4-5 cm across. Plantings: **A.V. Aroid Valley, along road bank, before Lyon's rock (original location)** / **H22, Macadamia area, above trail** (9 Sep 1997). To A. Carle, to Waimea Arb.

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