PLANT FACT SHEET

Stipagrostis hirtigluma (Trin. & Rupr.) De Winter

GENUS *Stipagrostis* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Blue bushman-grass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

The seeds are used in porridge. This is eaten with milk or meat.
They are also used for making beer.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It is an annual grass that forms tufts. It can keep growing fro a few years. It grows 80 cm high. The leaf blades are 6-20 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dry sandy and stony soils. It is often over limestone material. It can be on flood plains and in the desert. It grows between 500-2,100 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

The seeds are collected from ants nests and winnowed then ground into flour.

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