PLANT FACT SHEET

Chimonobambusa marmorea (Mitford) Makino

GENUS *Chimonobambusa* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Marble sheath bamboo, Winter shooting bamboo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Stem, Cereal, Shoots

The young shoots are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A bushy bamboo. It grows 2-3 m high. The stems are slender and black. They are 1-2 cm across. The young shoots are creamy purple. The leaves are 6-15 cm long by 8-12 mm wide. They do not have hairs.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It needs to be in moist soil. It can tolerate temperatures down to -9°C. It grows in hills and low mountains between 200-1,500 m above sea level in central China. It suits hardiness zones 7-10.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by division.

NOTES

There are about 10-40 Chimonobambusa species.

PICTURES



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