PLANT FACT SHEET

Chamaedorea oblongata Mart.

GENUS *Chamaedorea* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

COMMON NAMES Pacayita palm, Tepijilote palm

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: leaves

The inside of the leaf base is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A solitary palm. It grows 1-3 m tall. The stems are 1-2.5 cm across. There are 3-8 leaves in the crown. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. There are 3-9 cm on each side. They are thick and leathery. They are sword shaped to oblong. The flowering shoots are erect. The fruit are oval and 0.8-1.4 cm long by 06-0.8 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in lowland forests and up to 350 m above sea level. In Townsville palmetum.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be eaten raw.

PICTURES



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