PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Agave chiapensis Jacobi

GENUS *Agave* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Chamula agave

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Sap

DESCRIPTION

An agave. The leaves are in rings and are light green. The end spine of the leaf is 2-3.5 cm long. The flower spikes is 2 m long. The flowers are on the upper 1/4 of its length. The flowers are yellow or green but have red or purple colouring. The flowers are 6-7 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It has been recorded on limestone cliffs.

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