PLANT FACT SHEET

Amphipogon caricinus F. Muell.

GENUS *Amphipogon* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Grey beard grass, Long greybeard grass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

DESCRIPTION

A grass which keeps growing from year to year. It forms erect tufts. It grows 30-60 cm high. The leaves are narrow and roll inwards. They are stiff and have a sharp point. The stems are erect and wiry. They are thickened at the base. The flower panicle is dense and 4-6.5 cm long. It is purplish and becomes pale brown.

HABITAT

It grows in shallow soils. It is very drought resistant. It suits hot, dry locations. It grows in tropical and temperate places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or division.

NOTES

There are 7 Amphipogon species. They grow in Australia.

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