PLANT FACT SHEET

Himalayacalamus hookerianus (Munro) Stapleton

GENUS *Himalayacalamus* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Himalayan blue bamboo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal, Shoots, Vegetable

The young shoots are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A bamboo. It grows 6 m tall. It grows in clumps and keeps growing from year to year. The stems are 5-9 m long and 2-4 cm wide. The internodes are 15-20 cm long. The culm sheaths are 30-40 cm long. The leaf blades are narrowly sword shaped and 15-30 cm long by 1-4 cm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical and subtropical plant. In Bhutan it grows between 1,000-2,100 m above sea level. In Sikkim it grows between 1,200-2,100 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 8b-9

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