PLANT FACT SHEET

Microlaena stipoides (Labill.) R. Br.

GENUS *Microlaena* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Weeping rice grass, Meadow ricegrass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

The seeds are eaten like rice.

DESCRIPTION

A grass that forms tufts and keeps growing from year to year. It grows about 70 cm high. It has rhizomes. The seed heads lean over. The flower heads are compact and are 7-17 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seed or division.

NOTES

It is being developed as a crop.
See www.alpinerice.com.au

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