PLANT FACT SHEET

Pseudosasa japonica (Siebold. & Zucc. ex Steud.) Makino ex Nakai

GENUS *Pseudosasa* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Arrow Bamboo, Hardy bamboo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Stem, Cereal, Shoots

The young shoots are eaten roasted.

DESCRIPTION

A bamboo. It can grow 3.5-4.5 m high. The canes are olive green. The leaves are large and ribbon shaped. They are glossy but rough and whitened underneath. They are 20-25 cm long and 2.5-5 cm wide. The stems have brownish sheaths attached.

HABITAT

A temperate plant. It suits hardiness zones 6-10.

NOTES

There are 6 Pseudosasa species.

PICTURES



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