PLANT FACT SHEET

Raphia mambillensis Otedoh

GENUS *Raphia* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

COMMON NAMES Gongola, Bansa

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Sap

The stalk is tapped for palm wine.

DESCRIPTION

A palm. It almost has no trunk. The fronds are large and arise near the ground. They are 7 m high.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in mountain regions in West Africa.

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