PLANT FACT SHEET

Cymbopogon procerus (R. Br.) Domin.

GENUS *Cymbopogon* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES East India lemon grass, Scentgrass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - medicine

DESCRIPTION

A tufted grass which keeps growing from year to year. It has stout erect stems. They can be 15.-3 m high. They grow from a thick rhizome. The leaf blades are flat and rigid. They are blue-green underneath. They are 8-17 mm wide. The flowering stalk is 15-45 cm long. The spikelets are clustered. The crushed leaves have a citrus smell.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits inland areas and hot climates in Australia. It is usually on rocky outcrops. It grows on well drained soil.

NOTES

There are 60 Cymbopogon species.
It is probably used as medicine.

PICTURES



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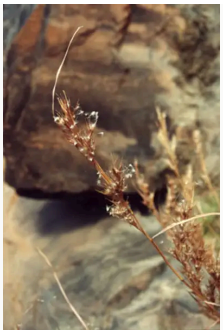

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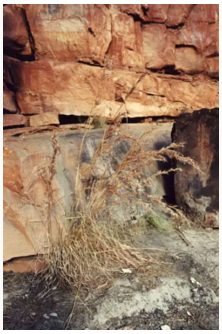

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