PLANT FACT SHEET

Attalea barreirensis Glassman

GENUS *Attalea* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The fruit are eaten.
The seed are used to make candy

DESCRIPTION

A palm. It grows 2 m tall. The stem is mostly underground. The crown of leaves is 2.2 m across. The fruit are yellow to orange and turn purple when ripe. They are 5-5.5 cm long by 3-4.5 cm wide. There is one seed 2.2 cm long by 2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in poor sandy soils in the savannah between 600-800 m above sea level.

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