PLANT FACT SHEET

Pandanus leram Voigt

GENUS *Pandanus* **FAMILY** Pandanaceae

COMMON NAMES Nicobar breadfruit

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nuts, Fruit

The fruit is normally eaten cooked. It is boiled.
The lower portion of the fruit is used for making flour for bread.

DESCRIPTION

A large branched tree. It has aerial prop roots. The leaves are very large. They can be 10-15 cm wide. There are prickles along the edges and midrib. The bracts around the flower are cream. Trees are separately male and female. The male tree has a very large flower. The female flower develops a large round head made up of individual nuts. These are clustered in groups. These can be 12-15 cm long. The outside is yellow or orange.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It suits the lowlands. It grows in coastal areas.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

They are grown from stem cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 600 Pandanus species. They grow in the tropics.

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