PLANT FACT SHEET

Digitaria sanguinalis (L.) Scop.

GENUS *Digitaria* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Summer grass, Large Crabgrass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

The seeds are used as a cereal. They are ground into flour.

DESCRIPTION

A millet grass. It is an annual grass. It can be 10-80 cm tall. It tends to lie along the ground and root at the nodes. The nodes and leaf sheaths are covered with fine hairs. The leaf blades are 5-20 cm long. The flower spike spreads out like fingers on a hand. The spikelets are usually in pairs. They are on short stalks of unequal length.

HABITAT

It grows in warm temperate and upland subtropical regions. It needs summer moisture. It is a cereal crop in Russia and Kashmir. In Argentina it grows between sea level and 2,000 m above sea level. Tasmanian Herbarium.

NOTES

There are about 250 Digitaria species.

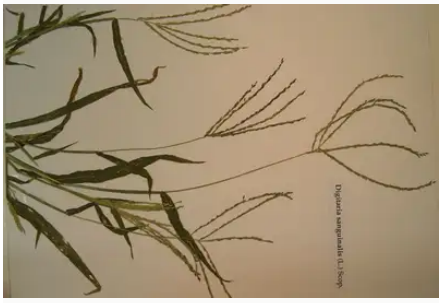
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