PLANT FACT SHEET

Piptatherum miliaceum (L.) Coss.

GENUS *Piptatherum* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Rice millet

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

DESCRIPTION

A millet grass. It is an erect grass that keeps growing from year to year. It has underground stems or rhizomes. It grows 60-100 cm tall. The stalks are 2 mm across. The leaves are narrow and 20-25 cm long by 5 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant. It grows in dry soil. It grows in areas with an annual rainfall between 300-400 mm. It can grow in arid places. In Argentina it grows from sea level to 700 m above sea level.

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