PLANT FACT SHEET

Pinus kesiya Royle ex Gordon

GENUS *Pinus* **FAMILY** Pinaceae

COMMON NAMES Khasi pine, Three-needled pine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Resin - flavouring

An extract from the resin has a vanilla flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 30-35 m tall. The trunk is straight. It can be 1 m across. The bark is thick and brown. The branches are horizontal or drooping. The leaves are needle-like are dark green with 3 in a group. They are 15-20 cm long. The cones are oval and 5-9 cm long. The seeds are 6-7 mm long. Cones mature after 18-20 months.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows between 300-2,700 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is fast growing. Plants can be tapped for resin after 15 years.

PICTURES



Credit: Food Plants International (Bruce French)

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