PLANT FACT SHEET

Musa ingens Simmonds

GENUS *Musa* **FAMILY** Musaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Pith

The central pith of the false stem of some kinds is used as a food by hunting parties.

DESCRIPTION

A wild banana with angular seeds in the fruit. The seeds are up to 8 mm across and the fruit are green but turn yellow/brown when ripe. The fruit are close together on the bunch.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows wild in some areas between 1,100 and 1,900 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It grows from seeds and also has some suckers.

NOTES

There are about 30 Musa species.

PICTURES



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