PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Cycas ophiolitica K. D. Hill

GENUS *Cycas* **FAMILY** Cycadaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

The seeds need special processing before being eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A robust palm like plant. It grows 2 m tall but occasionally 7 m tall. The leaves are at the tip of the stem. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. The leaves are 95-140 cm long. Young leaves are bluish and become grey green when mature. The leaf stalk is 18-35 cm long and usually has spines. The male cone is oval and 17 cm long by 8 cm wide. The female plants have seeds 3.3 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows near Rockhampton.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds,

NOTES

It is an at risk plant.

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