PLANT FACT SHEET

Bambusa variabilis Munro

GENUS *Bambusa* **FAMILY** Poaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Shoots

The young shoots are used as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A bamboo. It keeps growing from year to year. It forms dense tufts. The stems are straight and almost solid. They grow 12 m tall and are 5 cm across. The leaves have sharp edges and taper to a point. They are 12-25 cm long by 2-3 cm wide. Only occasionally it develops a long flower panicle. The spikelets are 8-12 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It is grown as a hedge.

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