PLANT FACT SHEET

Gynerium sagittatum (Aubl.) P. Beauv.

GENUS *Gynerium* **FAMILY** Poaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A grass. It can grow 3-10 m tall. It has rhizomes or underground stems. The leaves are simple and dark green. They are narrow.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It is best in light shade. It needs a pH between 6-8.5. It cannot tolerate frost. In Argentina it grows from sea level to 1,700 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seeds or cuttings. A spacing of up to 90 cm is suitable.

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is fast growing and short lived.

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