PLANT FACT SHEET

Heracleum moellendorffii Hance

GENUS *Heracleum* **FAMILY** Apiaceae

COMMON NAMES North eastern cow parsnip

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

Young plants are gathered as a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 1 m high. The roots are cone shaped and greyish-yellow. The stems are cylinder shaped and hollow. They have lines along them. The leaves are on long leaf stalks. These form a sheath at the base. The leaf blade is oval and 16-19 cm long by 15-16 cm wide. There are leaflets along the stalk. The side leaflets are 8-9 cm long by 5-6 cm wide. They have lobes along them.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is native to north eastern China and into Korea. It grows in alpine meadows and along streams up to 3,200 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

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