PLANT FACT SHEET

Coix aquatica Roxb.

GENUS *Coix* **FAMILY** Poaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

DESCRIPTION

A large grass with thick stems that keeps growing from year to year. The stems can be floating or creeping. When in water there are floating swollen roots. The upper surface of the leaves has glands and these have bristle-like hairs.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It can tolerate prolonged flooding. It grows in lakes, streams and open water between 500-1,800 m above sea level in southern China. In Yunnan.

NOTES

There are 5 or 6 Coix species.
The roots are used in medicine.

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