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Pandanus martinianus Nadaf & Zanan

GENUS *Pandanus* **FAMILY** Pandanaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nut

The flesh inside the seeds is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A pandanus shrub. It grows 30 cm to 1 m tall. The stems are slender and hang down. It has prop roots at the base of the trunk. The leaves are at the ends of the branches. They are narrow and 80-120 cm long by 3-4 cm wide. The edges of the leaves have sharp prickles. These are 1-3 mm long. There is one single fruiting cluster at the end of the branches. It is oval and 10-12 cm long by 6-7 cm wide. There are 140-160 seeds in one head.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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