



PLANT FACT SHEET

Festuca ovina L.

GENUS *Festuca* FAMILY Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Sheep's fescue

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

DESCRIPTION

A tussock forming grass. It grows 60 cm high and spreads 40 cm wide. The leaves are fine and blue-green. The flowers are in panicles and are also blue-green. These are on tall wiry stems.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In China it grows in alpine meadows between 1,000-4,400 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 5-9. Tasmanian Herbarium. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are over 300 *Festuca* species.

PICTURES



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