PLANT FACT SHEET

Panicum subalbidum Kunth

GENUS *Panicum* **FAMILY** Poaceae

COMMON NAMES Elbow buffalo grass

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Cereal

The seeds are cooked for a drink.

DESCRIPTION

A grass. It has an irregular growth. It can grow 2 m high. The stems are rather thick. They are often bent down at the base. The leaves are broad and flat. The flowering shoots are much branched. They are narrow and erect. The spikelets are small and pointed. They are green.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in hot arid regions. It can be in poorly drained soil. It grows between 3-3,400 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are about 500 Panicum species. It is a serious pest in rice paddies. It has a C4 pathway.

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