

# PARKER GIANT BAMBOO

Parker's Giant Bamboo, Parker's Hawaiian Giant Bamboo

*Bambusa beecheyana*

Poaceae

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### Description

From [Bamboos of Thailand](#), Native and Introduced Species (Poaceae: Bambusoideae) — An Annotated Compilation, by D. Ohrnberger (Khun Dieter – คุณดีเตอร์)

Characteristics: Culms taller and thicker in ultimate size, height 25 m, diameter 30.5 cm; culm-internodes very thick-walled; foliage-leaves large.

Synonym: *Dendrocalamus* sp. 'Parker's Giant'.

### Origin

THAILAND: Imported from the USA into Thailand in 2016, where the plant flowered in 2018 and died soon thereafter. No other introductions are known. — USA: First recorded in cultivation in Hawaii, now rarely cultivated elsewhere in the southern mainland of the USA.

### Uses

Culms for construction. Young shoots (sweet, delicious) for food. Plants for landscaping and biomass production.

### Cultivation

Easy and fast-growing; in full sun, soil sandy loam to clay loam, moisture-retentive to moist with good drainage. Frost-resistant to -3 (-4) °C. Also recorded as being resistant to storms and floods.

### References

[Bibliography of Bamboos of Thailand](#)