

**Bamboo species are shown in alphabetical order,  
not by ranking!**

“Of particular importance from this list is the *Guadua* Family, which is native to the Americas and *Guadua angustifolia* in particular is considered THE most important bamboo in America and is amongst the best building bamboos in the world. It has incredibly straight culms which maintain their diameter for about 15 meters before reducing in size. This bamboo is the top selection for the PEG site.”

Species Name	Commercial Potential	Primary Use	Environmental Rehabilitation	Height (meters)	Diameter (cm)	Windbreak Quality
<i>Bambusa balcooa</i>	High	Building, Food	High	12-22	6-15	Moderate
<i>Bambusa blumeana</i>	High	Edible Shoots	High	15-25	8-15	Moderate
<i>Bambusa polymorpha</i>	Moderate	Food Fencing	Low	15-25	7-15	High
<i>Bambusa tulda</i>	Moderate	Various	Moderate	10-15	5-10	Moderate
<i>Bambusa vulgaris</i>	Low	Various	High	10-20	4-10	High
<i>Cephalostachyum pergracile</i>	Moderate	Canes Cooking in the culms	Moderate	10-20	5-8	Moderate
<i>Dendrocalamus asper</i>	High	Building, Food	High	20-30	8-20	High
<i>Dendrocalamus giganteus</i>	Moderate	Building	Moderate	25-35	15-39	High
<i>Dendrocalamus latiflorus</i>	High	Food, building	Moderate	14-25	8-20	Moderate
<i>Gigantochloa apus</i>	Moderate	Poles, fencing	High	8-22	4-13	Moderate
<i>Gigantochloa levis</i>	Moderate	ornamental	High	15-20	7-15	High
<i>Gigantochloa pseudoarundinacea</i>	High	Ornamental various	Moderate	15-25	15-20	Moderate
<i>Guadua angustifolia</i>	High	Building, High Importance	High	15-25	9-15	Moderate
<i>Melocanna baccifera</i>	Moderate	Various, Food	Moderate	10-20	5-9	Moderate
<i>Ochlandra</i> sps.	Moderate	Reeds, poles	Moderate	8-15	3-10	Moderate
<i>Thyrsostachys siamensis</i>	High	Ornamental, building	High	7-13	5-10	Moderate