<u>Plantain</u>



- Plantains are a member of the banana family.
- They are a starchy, low in sugar variety that is cooked before serving.
- Plantains are native to India and are grown most widely in tropical climates.
- The photo shows an unripe cooking plantain, green in color. The flavor of the flesh is bland and it's texture is starchy...ripe plantain is black yellowish color, sweeter flavor and more of a banana aroma.

Plantains	Bananas
Starchy	Sweet
Used as a vegetable	Eaten as a fruit
Longer than bananas	Shorter than plantains
Thicker skin	Thinner skin
Resemble green bananas, but may be green, yellow or black	Color is green when not fully ripe, yel- low when ripe