

# YouTuber's banana trunk chips a hit

**BATU PAHAT:** Everyone has eaten banana chips, but not everyone has tasted banana trunk chips.

After learning about the Indonesian snack food through YouTube, Muhammad Izzatdin Ismail, 26, experimented and came up with his version.

The Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) food science and technology graduate said the new snack "tasted so good" that he made a cooking video for his YouTube channel, Bang Jat Studio, last November.

Filmed with banana trees in the background, it featured Izzatdin showing which part of the banana trunk to use. The video has garnered 24,000 views so far.

"The *pisang nipah* (saba banana) trunk is the most suitable to make the chips. It has to be about six months old, or after it has borne fruit, otherwise it will taste bitter," he said at his house in Kampung Parit Haji Bajuri, Bagan.

"I didn't expect the video to get so much attention. I made it for fun. My family really enjoyed the chips," said the food processing plant executive.

Izzatdin plans to sell the chips once he has perfected the recipe, especially in getting the chips to stay crispy longer.

Izzatdin's channel has over 90 cooking videos. He is planning to make a video on coconut chips next. **Bernama**