PLANT FACT SHEET

Gerbera piloselloides (L.) Cass.

GENUS *Gerbera* **FAMILY** Asteraceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - spice

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It does not have a stem. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows from a thickened woody rootstock. It has several slender roots. There can be many leaves or only a few. They come from the roots and spread out. The leaf stalk is 10 cm long. The leaf blade is 4-20 cm long by 2-7 cm wide. It is broadly sword shaped. The root stem is 60 cm long with 2 kinds of female flower parts.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It is a plant that has adapted to tolerate fire. It grows in high altitude grasslands. It often flowers are fires. It suits the seasonally dry tropics.

NOTES

It is used in medicine as an anti-oxidant.

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