PLANT FACT SHEET

Begonia auriculata Hook.

GENUS *Begonia* **FAMILY** Begoniaceae

COMMON NAMES Earlike begonia, Cathedral begonia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb that has a rhizome. The stems are branched, pink and hairy. The leaves are small and waxy. They are a coppery olive green with a silvery green towards the centre on the upper surface. They are brownish-red underneath. The leaf stalks are long, pink and hairy. The flowers are in groups and have green bracts. The flowers are pink.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the humid tropics between 300-1,800 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from cuttings.

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