PLANT FACT SHEET

Pilea johnstonii Oliv.

GENUS *Pilea* **FAMILY** Urticaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Vegetable

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It is a robust plant with thick juicy stems. It grows 60 cm high. It grows from a creeping rhizome or underground stem. It does not have stinging hairs. The leaves are mostly broadly oval and 8.5 cm long by 7 cm wide. There are long spreading hairs on the veins under the leaves. There are teeth along the edge. The flowers are in half round clusters on long stalks in the axils of leaves. Male and female flowers are separate but usually on the same plant.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows between 1,400-2,300 m above sea level.

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