PLANT FACT SHEET

Peniocereus viperinus (F. A. C. Weber) Buxb.

GENUS *Peniocereus* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

DESCRIPTION

A shrubby cactus. It has several slender branches 3 m long. The stems are hairy. It has divided, fleshy tuberous roots. The flowers are reddish-pink. The fruit are red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Mexico it grows between 1,000 to 1,700 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 10-11.

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