PLANT FACT SHEET

Allium platycaule S. Watson

GENUS *Allium* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Broadstemmed onion

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves, Root, Bulb, Seeds

DESCRIPTION

An onion family plant. A bulb plant. The leaves are blue-green. They are usually flat to the ground. They are 20 cm long. There are 2 leaves per bulb. The flowers are deep pink. They are in heads on short stems. The flowers are small and star shaped.

HABITAT

It suits hardiness zones 6-9.

NOTES

There are about 300-700 Allium species. Most species of Allium are edible (Flora of China). All alliums are edible but they may not all be worth eating!
They have also been put in the family Alliaceae.

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