PLANT FACT SHEET

Begonia veitchii Hook.f.

GENUS *Begonia* **FAMILY** Begoniaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tubers

The tuber is used in the preparation of cheese.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It forms a tuber. The leaves are round and 15 cm across. The edges are wavy. The flowers are large and red on long stalks.

HABITAT

It is a high altitude tropical plant. It grows in rocky places between 2,500-3,400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by stem cuttings.

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