PLANT FACT SHEET

Epiphyllum hookeri (Lem.) Br. & R.

GENUS *Epiphyllum* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

COMMON NAMES Queen of the Night

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers

The petals of the flowers are boiled and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

An ornamental cactus. It grows attached to other plants in the forest. It grows 2 m high. The main stem is narrow and cylinder shaped. The branches are narrow and flat. They are bluish-green and 8 cm across. These do not have spines. There are coarse teeth along the edges. The flowers come out at night. They are 25 cm long and on a slender green tube 15 cm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It needs light shade. It needs a temperature above 15°C.

NOTES

There are about 20 Epiphyllum species.

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