

## Begonia heracleifolia (Begonia84)

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Many begonias are prized for their unusually attractive leaves and Begonia heracleifolia certainly falls into this category. In terms of shape, its leaves resemble those of a maple tree. However, they are much more spectacular with serrated edging and bright green centres that contrast dramatically with the deep purple of the rest of the leaf.



Plant type:



flowering plant

Place:



indoor

Adult width:



Light:



semi sun

Watering:



normal

Araflora info



mini

### Product info

In terms of height, Begonia heracleifolia stays fairly low but it can cover quite a large surface area. Its pale pink flowers -- more than 10 at a time on vertical stalks - are every bit as striking as its leaves. Star-shaped leaf veins are encircled by light green that changes abruptly and dramatically into dark purple and black. Begonia heracleifolia comes from Central America and makes an excellent houseplant.

Height:

6 cm



Width:

5 cm



Flower colour:

violet



Flower period:

all year



Product:

plant



Plant type:

flowering plant



Plant type:

terrarium



Growth habit:

normal



Properties:

non-edible



Growth rate:

normal



Araflora info:

mini



Araflora info:

new



Natural habitat:

Central America



Altitude range:

0-1500 m



## Plantcare

Begonia heracleifolia can be grown in a terrarium or in a pot indoors. The best temperature is around 22°C and certainly no lower than 15°C or higher than 30°C. Humidity of 70% is sufficient during the daytime, but needs to be 20% at night. Sphagnum moss around the base of the plant or a peat-based mixture will prevent the growing medium from drying out. A mixture of peat and perlite makes a suitable substrate and ensures effective drainage. See "Plant accessories" for details of this and other useful products. If Begonia heracleifolia is grown in a terrarium, make sure it has good ventilation. It can be pruned if its size becomes a problem.

Care:  
easy



Place:  
indoor



Light:  
semi sun



Light:  
artificial lighting



Artificial light height:  
20-40 cm



Fertilize:  
none



Watering:  
normal



Watering tips:  
watering from above



Soil type:  
terrarium



Air humidity at day:  
60-80%



Air humidity at night:  
60-80%



Temperature  
< 15 °C



Day temperature  
10-30 °C



Night temperature  
12-18 °C



Temperature max:  
30 °C



Temperature min:  
15 °C



Soil ph:  
<5-7>



Soil type:  
peat mix



Repotting:  
after 2 years

