

Epipremnum aureum

Scientific classification

Kingdom : Plantae
Clade : Angiosperms
Order : Alismatales
Family : Araceae
Genus : *Epipremnum*
Species : *E.aureum*



Description

Epipremnum aureum is an evergreen vine growing to 20 m (66 ft) tall, with stems up to 4 cm (2 in) in diameter, climbing using aerial roots which adhere to surfaces. The leaves are alternate, heart-shaped, entire on juvenile plants, but irregularly pinnatifid on mature plants, up to 100 cm (39 in) long and 45 cm (18 in) broad; juvenile leaves are much smaller, typically under 20 cm (8 in) long.

The flowers are produced in a spathe up to 23 cm (9 in) long. It is also called Money plant or Pothos.

Uses

It has been found that each part of this plant possesses antibacterial, anti-termite and antioxidant properties. However, apart from these it can also turn out to be anti-malarial, anti-cancerous, anti-tuberculosis, anti-arthritis and wound healing etc which are a severe international problem.