

Pilosocereus magnificus

COMMON NAME	Blue Candle, Blue torch
FAMILY	Cactaceae
ORIGIN	Brazil
EVERGREEN	Yes
FLOWER COLOUR	White
BLOOMTIME	Summer at Night
SYNONYMS	Pseudopilocereus magnificus
HEIGHT	2.5 - 3.5 metres
WIDTH	0.5 Metres
EXPOSURE	Full Sun to Light Shade
SEASIDE	-
IRRIGATION	Low Water Needs
WINTER HARDINESS	10° C



FURTHER READING:

This is a variable species, but the photograph is a good representation. The plant branches, both from the base and also higher up the main body of the plant. The columns are slate blue with whitish areoles that are covered in brownish yellow spines, running continuously up the ribs of the plant. They are so close together that they look like a continuous dense brown line. Pilosocereus do not like wet roots, so adequate drainage is required. They need regular watering with added feed from early spring to late summer.