

Mammillaria longimamma

Common Name(s): Finger Cactus, Nipple Cactus, Pineapple Cactus

Synonym(s): *Dolichothele longimamma*, *Mammillaria uberiformis*, *Dolichothele uberiformis*

Subfamily: Cactoideae

Tribe: Cacteeae

Distribution: Hidalgo, Queretaro de Arteaga - Mexico (North America)

Habit: Globose

Flower: Yellow

Encounterability: Common Worldwide

Description: At first solitary, but clustering very young and forming dense clusters to 15 cm or more broad. With 10-30(-50) branches.

Stem: Spherical, green, 3-6(12 cm) cm in diameter, up to 10 tall. Without latex.

Tubercles: Very long soft and flaccid 12-25 ? 5-8 mm. the axil is sparsely woolly, without bristles.

Radial spines: About 8 to 10 for 12 to 20 mm long white-yellowish or brown.

Central spines: Usually 1 central spine, to 25 mm long, not hooked or curved, similar to radial spines. No Central spine for the var. *uberiformis*.

Flowers: Very large for this genus, 4-6 cm long, 4.5-6 cm wide with bright yellow petals in May-July; stigmas yellow.

Fruits: yellowish to green.

Roots: Thick taproots, large in upper portion.



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