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Aylostera heliosa

Rebutia heliosa Also known as: **Sun Crown Cactus**

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This description is for *Aylostera heliosa* (*Rebutia heliosa*):

Perhaps one of the most curious options of cactus, *rebutia heliosa* is typically a globular cactus that grows in dense clusters. As many as 20 individual stems, usually grey-green in colour, un-ribbed and covered in a mesh of fine white spines, might grow together. Translating to sun crown cactus, it is also known by the synonym *aylostera heliosa*. In summer it becomes awash with vivid red, orange or pink shades, with multiple blossoms emerging from thick tubes from between the stems and is completely covering them. The result is a ball of colour resembling the sun. Plant in pots with cactus compost in full sun and water regularly in summer and rarely in winter.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? no	Hardiness zone Z12-15	Standard category Cacti & succulents Cacti
Height [m] 0.1	Heat zone H12-1	Grown for Attractive flowers and habit
Spread [m] 0.15	Heat days 0 - 210	Creative category Kid Approved For Beginners Colours
Dominant flower colour Varies	Moisture well-drained	Garden type Indoor or winter garden

Plant	Environment	Usage
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Sun requirements Full sun	Garden spaces Flower beds
Flowering seasons Early summer Mid summer Late summer		Gardening expertise beginner
Foliage in spring Grey-green		Time to reach full size up to 10 years
Foliage in summer Grey-green		
Foliage in Autumn Grey-green		
Foliage in winter Grey-green		
Propagation methods seed offsets		
Growth habit Clump-forming		