

# Pilea Peperomioides & Large Elephant Bush



## Large Elephant Bush

The Elephant Bush also known as *Portulacaria Afra* is native to South Africa. This succulent is a major food source of the native elephant. This plant grows quickly and becomes very full. It has dark red toned trunks with green, jade colored leaves. This is a dwarf jade plant that produces a pale pink bloom. It can reach heights of 1 to 2 m.

**Portulacaria Afra**  
"Large Elephant Bush".



**Pilea Peperomioides**



**Miniature Pilea**



## # Pilea

*Pilea Peperomioides* (*Parasolpilea*, Money Plant, Missionary Plants) was recovered by a Norwegian missionary Agnar Espegren in 1945 in Yunnan Province in Southern China. Espegren took some cuttings to India in 1946, and from there, it spread throughout Scandinavia, by handing over to friends and acquaintances.

Today the Pilea is a very popular plant to collect and grow amongst amateur gardeners. And it is very popular to share different Pilea experiences and information about your own plants on Instagram, Pinterest and Facebook.

Pilea is a very vigorous living plant, and is very characteristic of having round, fresh-green, safely tensioned plates up to 10 cm in diameter, which is located on a long stem located in the center of the blade.