

Passiflora cincinnata Mast. 1868

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Distribution : Brazil, Venezuela, Colombia, Bolivia, Paraguay, Argentina.

Plant usually essentially glabrous throughout, rarely softly pilosulous; stem terete or subangular; stipules linear-subulate, 6 to 10 mm. long, 1 mm. wide, entire, or finely serrulate toward apex; petioles 1.5 to 4 cm. long, biglandular about 1 cm. from base, the glands about 2 mm. in diameter, sessile; leaves palmately 3-5-lobed, or 3-5-parted to base (if 3-lobed or 3-parted the lateral segments usually more or less deeply bilobed),



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the lobes (or leaflets) oblong or ovate-oblong, 3 to 8 cm. long, 2 to 5 cm. wide, rounded or acute at apex, often mucronulate, finely serrulate, crenate-serrulate, or subentire, dark green above, paler beneath, the terminal segment rounded at base, petiolulate (petiolule sometimes winged), the lateral segments (or lobes) oblique at base, sessile; peduncles 2 to 6 cm. long, stout, terete; bracts ovate, 2 to 3.5 cm. long, 1.5 to 2.5 cm. wide, obtuse, glandular at base, concave, minutely tomentulose; flowers 7 to 12 cm. wide; sepals oblong-lanceolate, obtuse, 3 to 5 cm. long, 1 to 2 cm. wide, subcoriaceous, green without, pinkish blue or violet within, keeled on outer surface, the keel terminating in an awn 2.5 mm. long; petals linear-lanceolate or spatulate, 2.5 to 3 cm. long, 0.8 to 1 cm. wide, obtuse, membranous, pinkish blue or violet; corona filaments in several series, the outer filiform or narrowly ligulate, long-tapering, 2 to 4 cm. long, deep purple in lower half, faintly banded with pinkish blue, pale blue at center, blue in upper half, those of the next series linear, 3 mm. long, white in lower half, those of the succeeding 3 or 4 series capillary, 1.5 to 2 mm. long, pale blue and white; operculum membranous at base, filamentose above, the filaments very numerous, 8 to 9 mm. long, spatulate, white below, blue at apex; nectar ring annular, 1.5 mm. from base of gynophore; limen cupuliform, closely surrounding gynophore base, about 7 mm. high; ovary globose, glabrous; fruit ovoid, 5 cm. long, 3 cm. wide; seeds ovate, 5 to 6 mm. long, 4 mm. wide, coarsely reticulate.

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