

# Pleione formosana



**Native of:** Taiwan

**Habitat:** A terrestrial or lithophyte in shady, mossy places.

**Description:** A small plant that loses its leaves in the autumn and flowers from the emerging new growth in the spring. The flowers are about 7cm across on a 10cm stem carrying one or two flowers. There are many colour forms.

**Cultivation Guidance:** At school we grow this species very cool (min 2°C) and potted in a mix of peat perlite and moss. We water heavily during the summer but keep them completely dry from when they drop their leaves until roots emerge from the new growth.

**Flowering season:** Spring

**Flask to flowering approx:** 3-4yrs.

**Seedling source:** Writhlington School