PLANT FACT SHEET

Polycarpon prostratum (Forssk.) Asch. & Schweinf.

GENUS *Polycarpon* **FAMILY** Caryophyllaceae

COMMON NAMES Polycarpon

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows each year from seed. The stems are woody at the base. It grows 10-25 cm tall and can be lying over. The leaves are oval or spoon shaped and 5-15 mm long by 2-3 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows on open sands and farmland. In southern China it grows between 300-1,500 m above sea level. It grows in damp places and on the edge of ponds. It can be in rice fields. In Yunnan.

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