PLANT FACT SHEET

Billardiera variifolia DC.

GENUS *Billardiera* **FAMILY** Pittosporaceae

COMMON NAMES Western bluebell

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A slender, hairy plant. It climbs to about 3 m tall. The leaves are sword shaped and dark green. They have crinkled edges. They often have a black tip. The flowers are bright blue. They are 10-12 mm across. They have open spreading petals and are at the ends of branches. The fruit are small and green. They are fleshy and hairy berries.

HABITAT

It grows from temperate to subtropical regions. It grows in Western Australia. It grows in forested areas. It is often on sandy soils. It can stand light frosts.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed of cuttings. Cuttings strike easily.

NOTES

There are about 25 Billardiera species. They grow in Australia.

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