PLANT FACT SHEET

Coprosma repens A. Rich

GENUS *Coprosma* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Mirror plant, Looking glass plant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It has several stems. It grows up to 2.5 m high. The branches are stiff and spreading. They often form dense thickets. The leaves are almost rounded and leathery. They are shiny and deep green above and pale green underneath. The flowers are yellowish green. They occur in dense clusters. The fruit are orange-red. They are 6-8 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate to subtropical plant. They grow near shorelines and near boulders. It can withstand wind and salt spray. It will grow in most soils and conditions. It is resistant to drought, frost and fire. It suits hardiness zones 9-11. Tasmania Herbarium.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seed or cuttings.

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is fast growing.

NOTES

There are about 90 Coprosma species. It can be invasive.

PICTURES



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