PLANT FACT SHEET

Carpobrotus modestus S. T. Blake

GENUS *Carpobrotus* **FAMILY** Aizoaceae

COMMON NAMES Inland pigface

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The fruit are eaten.
The leaves can be eaten raw or cooked but are salty.

DESCRIPTION

A succulent herb. It lies along the ground and grows from year to year. It grows 6-50 cm high. It spreads 1 m wide. The flowers are pink, purple, blue and mauve.

HABITAT

Temperate. It grows on white or grey sand and clay. It grows in warm temperate and subtropical places. It is best in light to medium well-drained soils. It needs a sunny position. It is resistant to drought and frost.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seed or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 25 Carpobrotus species. Also put in the family Mesembryanthemaceae.

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