PLANT FACT SHEET

Monochoria cyanea (F.Muell.) F.Muell.

GENUS *Monochoria* **FAMILY** Pontederiaceae

COMMON NAMES Monochoria

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb which grow in water. It keeps growing from year to year. The stems are 10-40 cm long. The leaves near the base are 3-15 cm long by 0.5-8 cm wide. They are broadly oval. They are dark green and fleshy with a fleshy stalk. The leaf stalk is 2-18 cm long. The flowering group is 2-9 cm long. There are 3-15 flowers. The flowers are 1-2 cm long and blue or purple. The fruit is a capsule 1-1.5 cm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in ponds in tropical to warm temperate regions. It is endemic to Australia. It roots in mud in standing water. The stems float.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or division of the clump.

NOTES

There are 8 Monochoria species. They are tropical and subtropical.

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