Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowers and leaves. Photographer Don Wood, Green Cape, Ben Boyd National Park south of Eden



Rowering plant. Australian Plant Image Index, photographer Murray Fagg, Royal Botanic Gardens Mt Annan, Campbelltown

Common name

Pigface, Iceplant, Bluish pigface

Family

Aizoaceae

Where found

Beaches, coastal dunes, and coastal cliffs.

Notes

Prostrate mat forming perennial herb with stems to 2 m long. Stems, leaves, and fruit fleshy. Leaves opposite each other, 3.5–10 cm long, 9–15 mm wide, triangular in cross section, glaucous. Flowers pink to purple, white at or near the base, 40–60 mm in diameter, with about 100-150 'petals'. Flowers single. Flowers most of the year. Fruit edible, red to purple, slightly compressed-cylindric to almost oval, weakly 2-angled.

Rare Vic.

PlantNET description: http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Carpobrotus~glaucescens (accessed 7 January, 2021)

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