

MIRROR PLANT

Coprosma repens

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Family Rubiaceae

Origin New Zealand

Description A prostrate shrub to small tree that grows to about 8 m high. It is naturalized along the coast, mostly on beaches and coastal headlands³. This species adapts to most soils and conditions. It is drought, frost, salt spray and fire resistant¹.

Stems/Leaves Stout, glabrous or pubescent branches. Glossy green opposite leaves, broad-oblong to broad-ovate in shape with an obtuse apex. Domatia (small pits) are present on the undersurface of the leaves³.

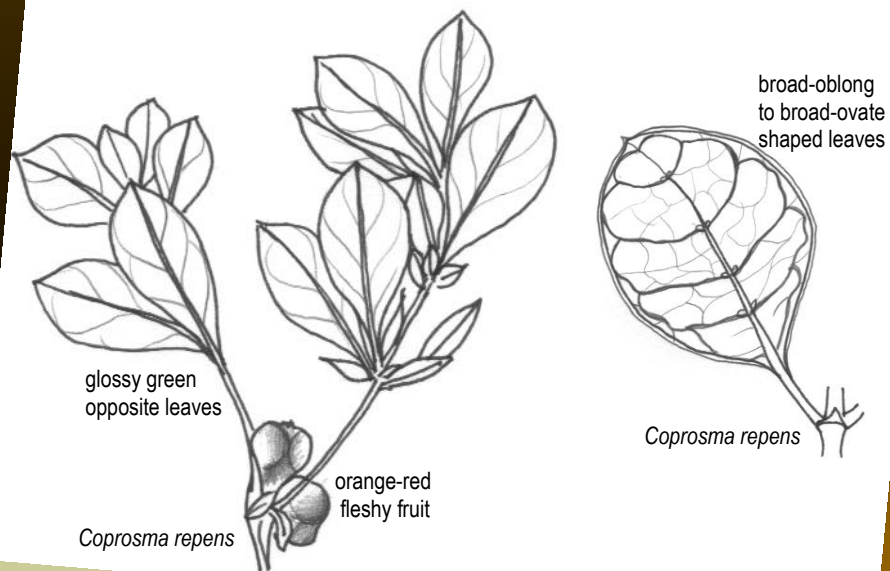
Flowers Small light green flowers occurring in terminal clusters. Flower from spring to summer³.

Fruit/Seed Orange-red fleshy fruit approximately 1 cm wide and depressed at the tip³.

Removal techniques

Manual Hand remove small seedlings².

Chemical Chemical controls are available. The scrape and paint method is more effective than the cut and paint method².



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