



TAUPATA

(*Coprosma repens*)

Sub
Canopy
8m



Description:

- Found throughout the North Island and top of the South Island. Not so frost tolerant as karamu, the other common coprosma
- Very distinctive glossy leaves. It is sometimes called the mirror plant
- The glossy leaves make it a top plant for wind and salt shelter. The leaves may roll inwards when the salt and wind are excessive

Fruit & Flowers:

- The male and female flowers are on separate plants
- Like the karamu the flowers appear in the late spring. They are small and wind pollinated
- Bright orange berries are a major food source for the native pigeons and kakariki

Pests / Diseases:

- There are no significant pests and diseases of taupata