

Fish-stunning spurge

Euphorbia piscatoria Aiton

DESCRIPTION

Succulent shrub up to 2 m tall, multiple-branched, glabrous, with a rounded crown. The leaves are sessile, linear-lanceolate, with an acute apex and yellowish margins. It blooms between January and August.

HABITAT

In rocky and sunny places close to the coast, both on peaks and in lower areas. In rocky sea cliffs or inland slopes. Sometimes dominant on the secondary vegetation, growing after disturbance of *Olea* forests.

DISTRIBUTION

Endemic from Madeira archipelago (Madeira and Porto Santo islands).



THREATS

The main threats to this species are invasive species spreading, wildfires, and increased urban and touristic development.

PROTECTION

CITES Washington Convention – Annex II.
EU regulation of trade of fauna and flora - Annex B.

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