



Chrysanthemoides monilifera subsp. *monilifera*

Common Name(s):

boneseed, bitou bush

Current Threat Status (2009):

Exotic

Habitat:

Terrestrial. mainly coastal areas, coastal cliffs, inshore islands, dry shrublands, shrubland margins, consolidated sand dunes, gumlands, roadsides, quarries, wastelands, exotic plantations and a threat to offshore islands.

Features:

Bushy, semi-woody, much branched shrub or small tree to 2-3 m. Young stems ribbed and woolly, becoming smooth. Leaves alternate, smooth, leathery, entire, 70 x 35 mm, margins irregularly toothed. Bright yellow daisy-like flowers, 25-30 mm diam, Sep-Feb. Fruit an oval green drupe, 6-9 mm, hard with thin fleshy covering, turning black, with very hard seed.

Flowering:

September, October, November, December, January, February

For more information, visit:

http://nzpcn.org.nz/flora_details.asp?ID=3703



Caption: Quail Island

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