

*Cellaria punctata* (Busk, 1852). Tilbrook, Hayward & Gordon, 2001, p.58, fig.7B.

*CELLARIA PUNCTATA* (BUSK)

(Fig. 7B)

*Salicornia punctata* Busk, 1852a: 366 (in part).

*Salicornia gracilis* Busk, 1852b: 17, pl. 63, figs 14–16, pl. 65, fig. 2.

*Cellaria punctata*: Harmer, 1926: 337, pl. 21, figs 14–16, text-fig. 13a; Hayward and Cook, 1983: 34, fig. 8B; Hayward and Ryland, 1995a: 545, fig. 7D.

*Remarks*

This species was discussed by Hayward & Cook (1983), when describing material from the Agulhas Shelf, eastern South Africa.

*Distribution*

Although *Cellaria punctata* was originally described from Queensland (Busk, 1852a), Hayward & Ryland (1995a) found only one small colony at Heron Island. Two fragmentary internodes were found in loose coral debris from Port Vila Harbour, Efate, Vanuatu. Harmer (1926), in his synonymy, extended the range of this species throughout the Indo-Malay region westwards to Sri Lanka and Zanzibar, and northwards to Japan. The presence of *C. punctata* in the Indian Ocean was confirmed by Hayward & Cook (1983) who recorded it from eastern South Africa and the Red Sea.

