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Lysimachia nummularia

CREEPING-JENNY is an evergreen perennial. Native to Europe it has small, dark red dotted, golden yellow flowers.

It is also known as *Borissa* (Italian), Buck weed, *Čerkáč peniažtekový* (Slovak), Creeping Charlie, Creeping Jane, Creeping Jennie, Creeping Joan, Creeping Sally, Creeping loosestrife, Down-hill-of-life, *Herbe-aux-écus* (French), Herb tuppence, Herb twopence, *Hierba de la moneda* (Spanish), Infant's breath, Jenny creeper, *Lysimaque nummulaire* (French), Meadow runagates, Moneybags, Money myrtle, Money plant, Moneywort, Motherwort, *Münzkraut* (German), Myrtle, *Penningarv* (Swedish), *Penningblad* (Swedish), Pennywort, *Pfennigkraut* (German), Roving sailor, Running Jenny, Serpentaria, *Siani Lusg* (Welsh), Star, String of sovereigns, Two penigrasse, Twopenny grass, *Vrbina penížková* (Czech), Wandering Charley, Wandering Jenny, Wandering sailor, Wandering Sally, and Yellow myrtle.

Nummularia is derived from Latin *nummus* (a little piece of money) meaning 'coin-shaped' with reference to the leaves.

The leaves or flowers were used occasionally to flavour tea.

Medicinally, herbalists used creeping-jenny primarily for healing wounds but also prescribed it for treating whooping-cough, scurvy and haemorrhaging.