

Commiphora wildii

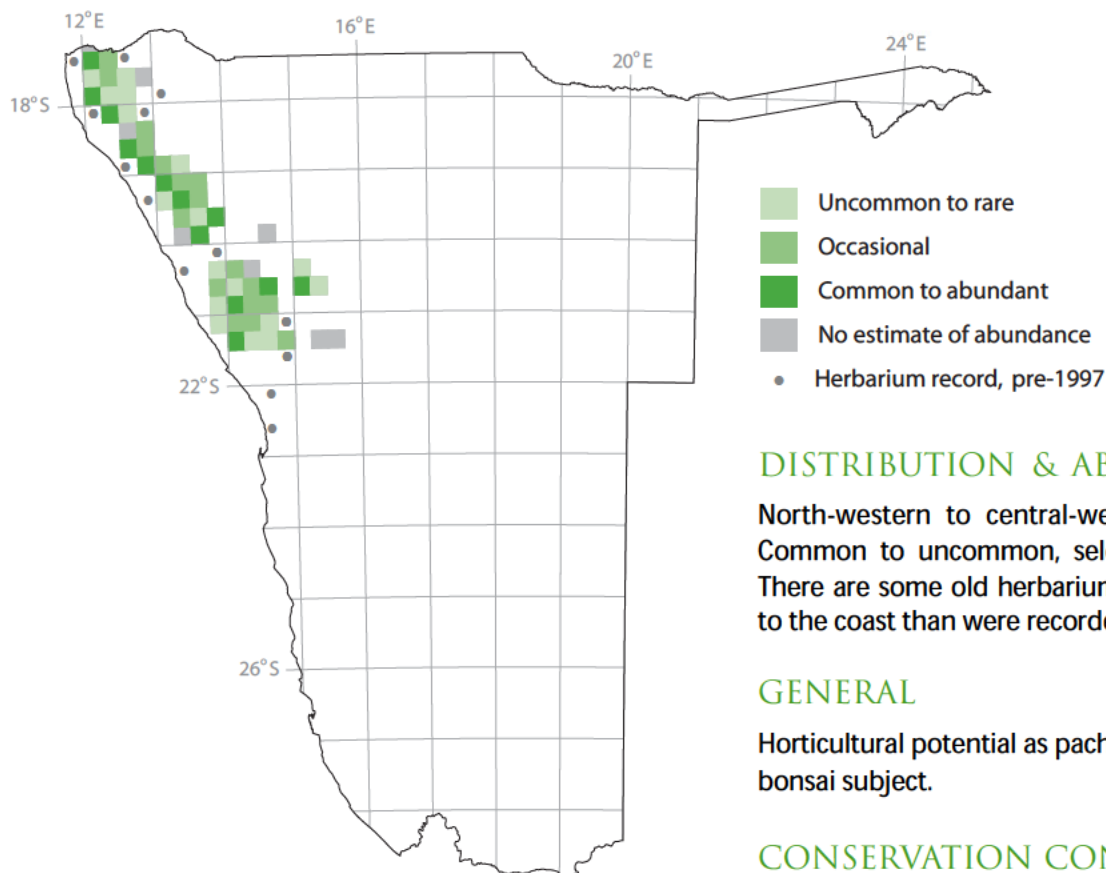
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Oak-leaved *Commiphora* (E)
Herare (K); oshiziwowo (Od)

[147 records from 56 (5%) squares]



Deciduous shrub, with **thick, swollen stem branching near the ground**; generally growing almost prostrate over rocks, occasionally erect; crown diameter of up to 5 m. BARK **grey-brown, shiny, mostly smooth**; occasionally peeling off in papery strips. LEAVES **resembling oak leaves** with leaf base continuing down rachis and petiole so that these appear **winged**. FRUIT with yellow to orange pseudaril, four-lobed with lobes covering a quarter of the seed.



DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

North-western to central-western Namibia. Common to uncommon, seldom abundant. There are some old herbarium records closer to the coast than were recorded by the TAP.

GENERAL

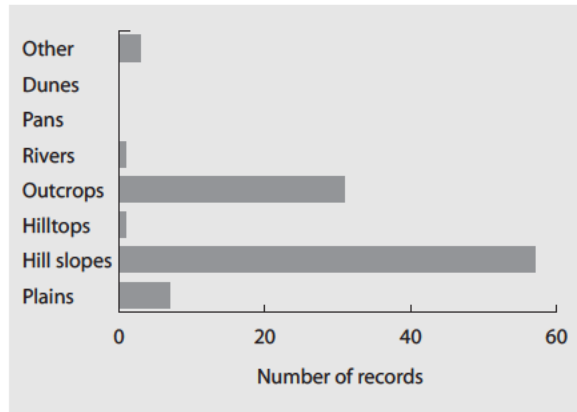
Horticultural potential as pachycaul and bonsai subject.

CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded. Endemic to Namibia.

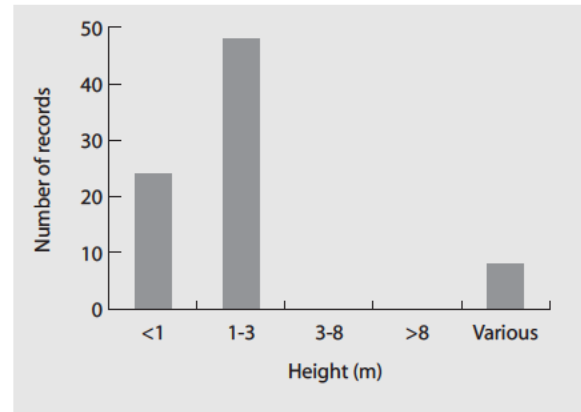
HABITAT

Found on rocky or stony hill slopes and rocky outcrops, including granite; sometimes on plains and in other habitats.



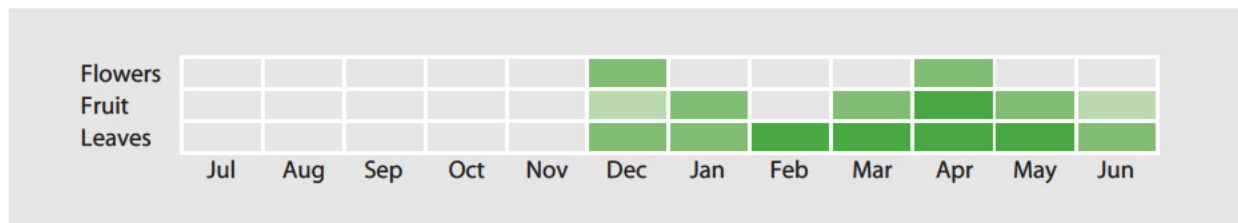
GROWTH FORM

A shrub, generally less than 3 m high.



ANNUAL CYCLE

FLOWERS recorded in December and April. FRUIT recorded from December to June, but mostly in April; fresh seeds found on one individual near the Brandberg in September (ELL1). LEAVES from December to June, with young leaves in December.



Commiphora wildii, less common, erect growth form, E. Ellinger

