

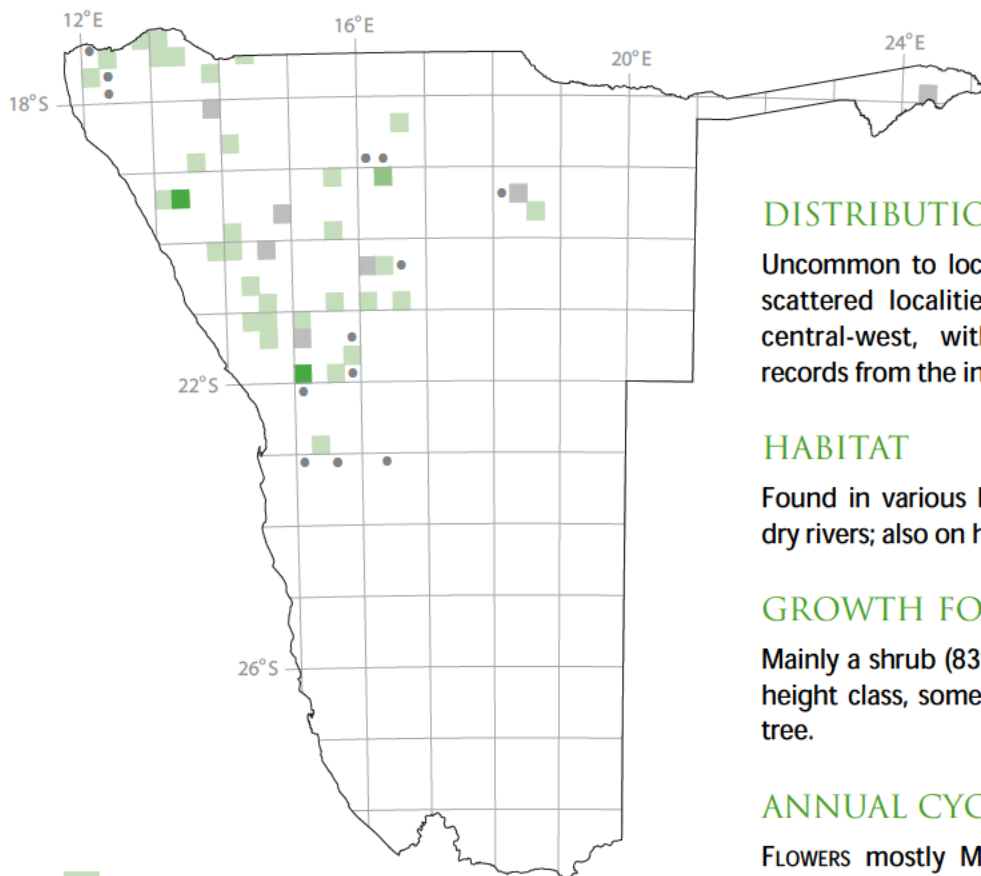
Cordia sp.= *Cordia monoica*

Snotbessie

[52 records from 42 (4%) squares]

A shrub or small tree. LEAVES obovate sandpapery; darker in colour and often smaller than those of *C. sinensis*.

According to Germishuizen & Meyer (2003), the name *Cordia monoica* is a misapplied name for *C. ovalis*, which does not occur in Namibia. The species we have been calling *C. monoica* may well be one or more new species (Retief, in prep.). Thus, the TAP records of *C. monoica* are discussed below as *Cordia* sp. *C. caffra* has also been included here.



- Uncommon to rare
- Occasional
- Common to abundant
- No estimate of abundance
- Herbarium record, pre-1997

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Uncommon to locally common in places, in scattered localities in the north-west and central-west, with even more scattered records from the interior.

HABITAT

Found in various habitats, but mainly along dry rivers; also on hill slopes and plains.

GROWTH FORM

Mainly a shrub (83% of records) in the 1–3-m height class, sometimes taller; occasionally a tree.

ANNUAL CYCLE

FLOWERS mostly March; also April, October, December and January. FRUIT mostly April; also October and from December to June. LEAVES recorded in summer; few observations made in winter.

GENERAL

The leaves are browsed; the berries are edible to humans and birds.

CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.