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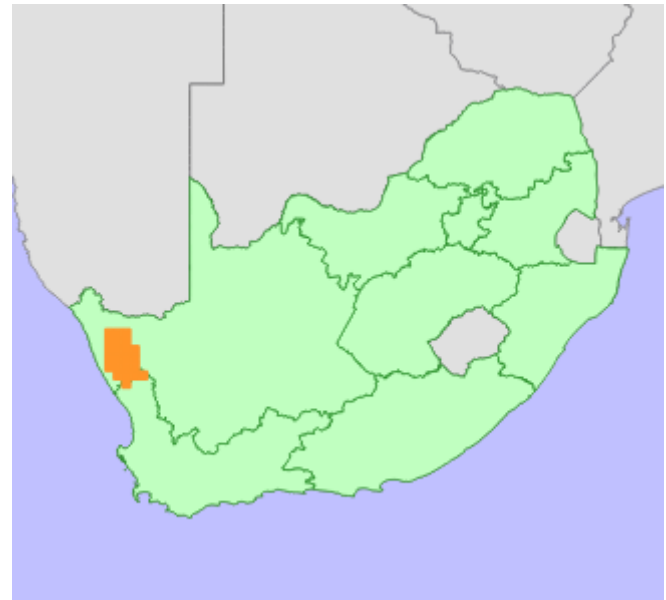
## Bruintandjies

### Taxonomy

<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Conophytum pellucidum Schwantes subsp. pellucidum</b>
<b>Higher Classification</b>	Dicotyledons
<b>Family</b>	AIZOACEAE
<b>Common Names</b>	Bruintandjies (a)

### National Status

<b>Status and Criteria</b>	<b>Least Concern</b>
<b>Assessment Date</b>	2016/09/06
<b>Assessor(s)</b>	A.J. Young & D. Raimondo
<b>Justification</b>	A widespread and common taxon that occurs across Namaqualand, it has an extent of occurrence of 9645 km <sup>2</sup> and is known from more than 50 locations. While it has recently been recorded in the illegal succulent trade, thus far harvesting is not likely to have impacted on more than a very small fraction (less than 5%) of the population. So while the population is starting to decline it still qualifies under the category Least Concern.



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### Distribution

<b>Endemism</b>	South African endemic
<b>Provincial distribution</b>	Northern Cape, Western Cape
<b>Range</b>	Widespread across Namaqualand, from Steinkopf to Garies.

## Habitat and Ecology

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<b>Major system</b>	Terrestrial
<b>Major habitats</b>	Fynbos, Nama Karoo, Succulent Karoo
<b>Description</b>	Fractures and shallow grit pans on gneiss outcrops.

## Threats

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There has been occasional observations of highly localised trampling by livestock as the plants inhabit shallow grit pans, but this has affected only a small proportion of the population. Popular in cultivation and starting to decline due to illegal collection.

## Population

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This taxon is widespread and abundant. It is known from a large number of subpopulations, and is not declining.

<b>Population trend</b>	Decreasing
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## Assessment History

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<b>Taxon assessed</b>	<b>Status and Criteria</b>	<b>Citation/Red List version</b>
Conophytum pellucidum Schwantes subsp. pellucidum var. neohallii S.A.Hammer	<b>Least Concernal</b>	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Conophytum pellucidum Schwantes subsp. pellucidum var. lillianum (Little.) S.A.Hammer	<b>Least Concernal</b>	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Conophytum pellucidum Schwantes subsp. pellucidum var. terricolor (Tischer)	<b>Least Concernal</b>	Raimondo et al. (2009)

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