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Wood's Cycad

Taxonomy

Scientific Name	Encephalartos woodii Sander
Higher Classification	Gymnosperms
Family	ZAMIACEAE
Common Names	Broodboom (a), Cycad (e), Wood's Cycad (e), Wood-sebroodboom (a)

Distribution map not available at present

National Status

Status and Extinct in the Wild

Criteria

Assessment 2009/10/31

Date

Assessor(s) J.S. Donaldson

Justification The species was described from a single individual comprising several stems. No other plants were ever found. Some of the original stems were killed through bark harvesting and the last wild plants had been transferred to botanic gardens by 1916.

Distribution

Endemism	South African endemic
Provincial distribution	KwaZulu-Natal
Range	Ngoye Forest.



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Habitat and Ecology

Major system	Terrestrial
Major habitats	Forest
Description	Forest.

Threats

Extinct in the wild due to harvesting of bark for medicinal use.

Population

Last seen in the wild in 1916.

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status	Citation/Red List version and Criteria
Encephalartos woodii	Extinct Wild	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Encephalartos woodii	Extinct Wild	Scott-Shaw (1999)
Encephalartos woodii	Extinct	Hilton-Taylor (1996)
Encephalartos woodii	Extinct	Hall et al. (1980)

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