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Taxonomy

Scientific Name **Othonna armiana Van Jaarsv.**

Higher Classification Dicotyledons

Family ASTERACEAE

National Status

Status and Criteria **Vulnerable D2**

Assessment Date 2015/05/21

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Justification A localized habitat specialist, known from one location and potentially threatened by overgrazing and collection of plants from the wild for the succulent trade.

Distribution

Endemism South African endemic

Provincial distribution Northern Cape

Range Richtersveld, north-east of Eksteenfontein.

Habitat and Ecology

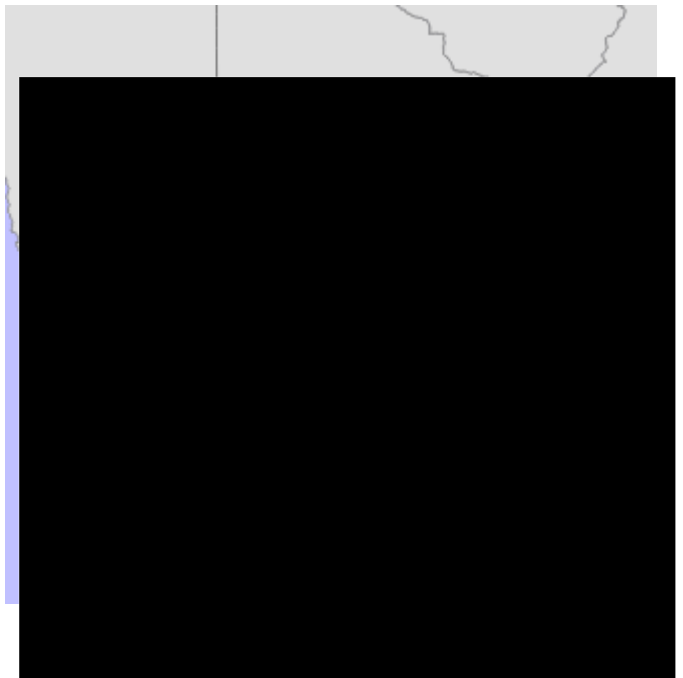
Major system Terrestrial

Major habitats Kahams Mountain Desert

Description Rock crevices on upper slopes.

Threats

Severe overstocking of livestock in the Richtersveld is causing ongoing degradation, loss of vegetation



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cover, and species diversity due to overgrazing and trampling. This species' preference for rocky crevices however may offer it some protection against the effects of grazing. It is also popular in horticulture, and is potentially threatened by collectors removing plants from the wild for the succulent trade.

Population

This species is locally abundant in suitable habitat (Van Jaarsveld 1986).

Population trend Stable

Assessment History

Taxon	Status and assessed Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Othonna armiana Van Jaarsv.	VU D2	2015.1
Othonna armiana Van Jaarsv.	Critically Rare	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Othonna armiana Van Jaarsv.	Lower Risk - Near Threatened	Victor (2002)
Othonna armiana Van Jaarsv.	Rare	Hilton-Taylor (1996)

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