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Taxonomy

Scientific Name	Conophytum hians N.E.Br.
Higher Classification	Dicotyledons
Family	AIZOACEAE
Synonyms	Conophytum elongatum Schick & Tischer, Conophytum gothicum Tischer, Conophytum hians N.E.Br. var. acuminatum L.Bolus, Conophytum hirtum Schwantes, Conophytum miserum N.E.Br., Conophytum parvamarinum L.Bolus

National Status

Status and Criteria	Least Concern
Assessment Date	2015/06/10
Assessor(s)	A.J. Young
Justification	A widespread and common species that is not threatened.

Distribution

Endemism	South African endemic
Provincial distribution	Northern Cape
Range	Western Richtersveld, between Kleinsee and Eksteenfontein.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system	Terrestrial
Major	Desert, Succulent



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habitats	Karoo
Description	Quartz flats, rocky ridges and cliff-faces.

Threats

There are no known significant past, ongoing or future threats that are likely to lead to this species' extinction.

Population

This species is widespread and abundant across the Richtersveld. It is known from a large number of large subpopulations, and is not declining.

Population Stable trend

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Conophytum hians	Least Concern	Raimondo et al. (2009) N.E.Br.

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