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Taxonomy

Scientific Name **Conophytum tantillum**
N.E.Br. subsp. tantillum

Higher Classification Dicotyledons
Family AIZOACEAE

National Status

Status and Criteria Rare

Assessment Date 2015/06/10

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Justification A range-restricted species (EOO <10 km²) that is not threatened. It is currently known from a single subpopulation, but is quite likely more common as much of the suitable habitat in the area remains unexplored.

Distribution

Endemism South African endemic

Provincial distribution Northern Cape

Range Namaqualand near Springbok.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system Terrestrial

Major habitats Succulent Karoo

Description South-facing quartzite cliffs.



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Threats

There are no significant threats to this taxon.

Population

This taxon is known from a single subpopulation where at least 1000 plants occur on cliffs above a river gorge. Similar habitat exists all along the river, but still remains poorly explored as much of it is difficult to access. It is therefore possible that other subpopulations exist.

Population trend Stable

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Conophytum tantillum N.E.Br. subsp. tantillum	Rare	Raimondo et al. (2009)

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