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Taxonomy

Scientific Name	<i>Gasteria croucheri</i> (Hook.f.) Baker
Higher Classification	Monocotyledons
Family	ASPHODELACEAE
Synonyms	<i>Aloe croucheri</i> Hook.f., <i>Gasteria disticha</i> (L.) Haw. var. <i>natalensis</i> Baker
Common Names	Bosaalwee (a), Bosaalwyn (a), <i>Gasteria</i> (e), Impundu (z), Iqhomololo (z)

National Status

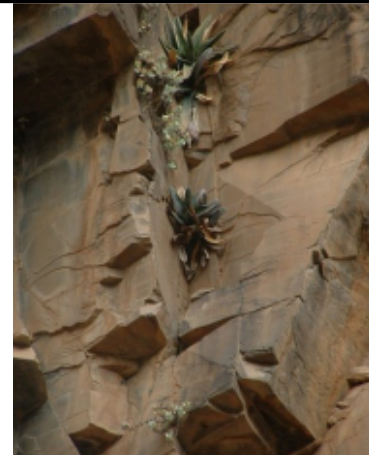
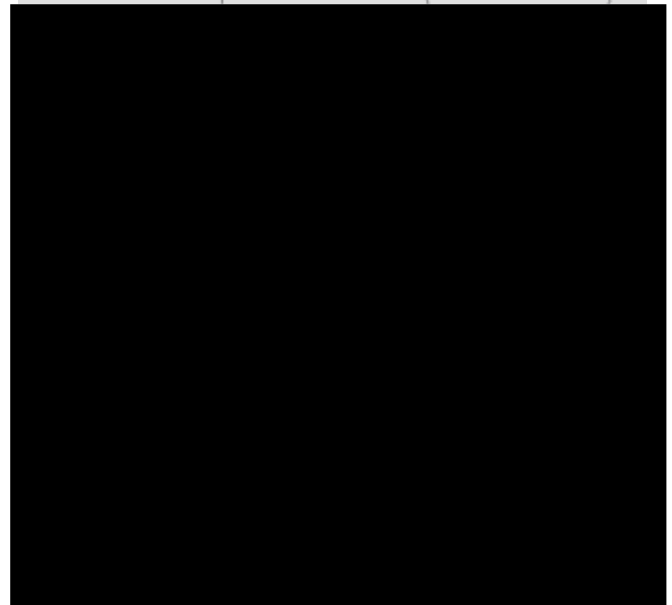
Status and Criteria	Vulnerable A2d
Assessment Date	2019/04/15
Assessor(s)	E.J. van Jaarsveld & D. Raimondo
Justification	A 30% decline in the number of mature individuals over the past three generations is suspected (generation length 30-40 years). Decline is the result of consistently high rates of harvesting of adult individuals for the medicinal plant trade.

Distribution

Endemism	South African endemic
Provincial distribution	Eastern Cape, KwaZulu-Natal
Range	Mapumulo to Port St. Johns.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system	Terrestrial
Major habitats	Scarp Forest
Description	Scarp forest, on sandstone outcrops and cliffs, usually in partial



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shade in dry areas, 200-600 m.

Threats

Seen at Faraday traditional medicine market, but not in large quantities (10-15 plants). Common at KwaZulu-Natal medicinal markets.

Population

Population trend Decreasing

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Gasteria pendulifolia Van Jaarsv.	Data Deficient (Taxonomically Problematic)	2012.1
Gasteria croucheri (Hook.f.) Baker	VU A2d	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Gasteria pendulifolia Van Jaarsv.	Data Deficient (Taxonomically Problematic)	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Gasteria croucheri (Hook.f.) Baker	VU	Scott-Shaw (1999)
Gasteria croucheri (Hook.f.) Baker	Vulnerable	Hilton-Taylor (1996)

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