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### Taxonomy

**Scientific Name** **Oxalis melanograpt**  
**T.M.Salter**

**Higher Classification** Dicotyledons

**Family** OXALIDACEAE

### National Status

**Status and Criteria** **Critically Rare**

**Assessment Date** 2012/12/11

**Assessor(s)** L.L. Dreyer, K.C. Oberlander, D. Raimondo & L. von Staden

**Justification** A rare and localized habitat specialist (EOO <1 km<sup>2</sup>), but not threatened.

### Distribution

**Endemism** South African endemic

**Provincial distribution** Western Cape

**Range** Vanrhynsdorp.

### Habitat and Ecology

**Major system** Terrestrial

**Major habitats** Succulent Karoo

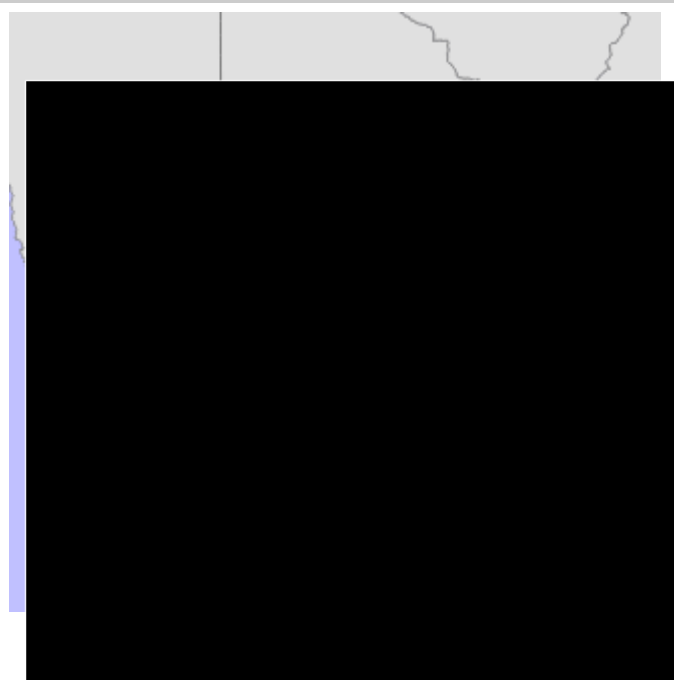
**Description** Broken shale outcrop.

### Threats

No threats.

### Population

This species was previously known only from the type collection between Vanrhynsdorp and Vanrhyns Pass, and could not be relocated, despite searches.



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However, in 2008 it was found growing in association with three other rare *Oxalis* species on a broken shale outcrop in this area, quite likely the same locality where it was first collected in the 1930s. This site represents a rare, unique habitat within this area, and this species is quite likely restricted to this habitat.

**Population trend** Unknown

### Assessment History

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Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
<i>Oxalis melanograptata</i> T.M.Salter	<b>Data Deficient</b>	2012.1
<i>Oxalis melanograptata</i> T.M.Salter	<b>Data Deficient</b>	Raimondo et al. (2009)
<i>Oxalis melanograptata</i> T.M.Salter	<b>Rare</b>	Hall et al. (1980)

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