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Taxonomy

Scientific Name	Gladiolus abbreviatus Andrews
Higher Classification	Monocotyledons
Family	IRIDACEAE
Synonyms	Antholyza abbreviata (Andrews) Pers., Homoglossum abbreviatum (Andrews) Goldblatt, Petamenes abbreviatus (Andrews) N.E.Br.

National Status

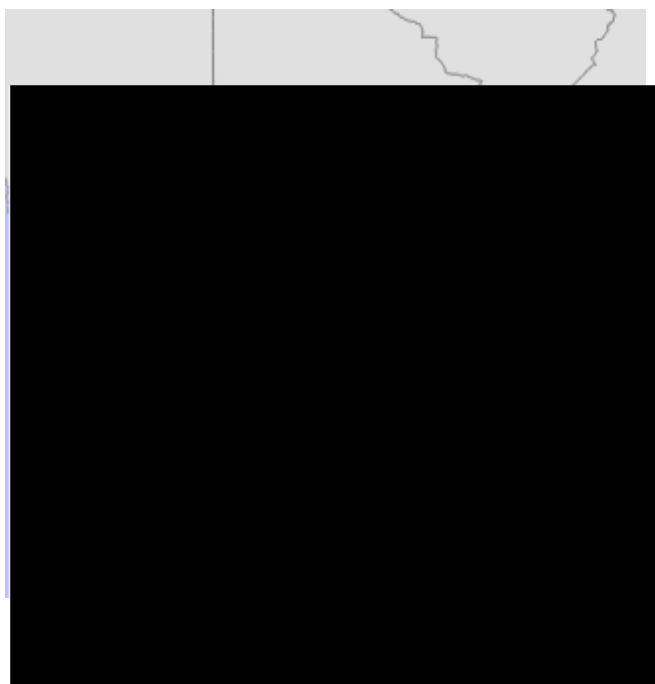
Status and Criteria	Vulnerable B1ab(ii,iii,iv,v)
Assessment Date	2006/07/24
Assessor(s)	P. Goldblatt, D. Raimondo & N.A. Helme
Justification	EOO<12 600 km ² , now occurs as small, severely fragmented subpopulations that survive on small renosterveld fragments along roads and or railways. It has lost over 80% of its habitat to wheat cultivation. Subpopulations are never large.

Distribution

Endemism	South African endemic
Provincial distribution	Western Cape
Range	Bot River to Riversdale.

Habitat and Ecology

Major system	Terrestrial
Major habitats	Breede Shale Renosterveld, Eastern Ruens Shale Renosterveld, Central



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Ruens Shale
 Renosterveld, Western
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 Silcrete Renosterveld,
 Garden Route Shale
 Fynbos

Description Renosterveld, in clay soil among low shrubs.

Threats

Habitat degradation, Invasive Alien Species (direct effects), Habitat loss

Population

Population trend Decreasing

Assessment History

Taxon assessed	Status and Criteria	Citation/Red List version
Gladiolus abbreviatus Andrews	VU	Raimondo et al. (2009)
Gladiolus abbreviatus Andrews	Vulnerable	Hilton-Taylor (1996)

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