

Xeroderris stuhlmannii

Wingbean

[3 records from 3 squares]

A deciduous tree with a spreading crown, exuding a red sap when cut. LEAVES compound, leaflets oblong to ovate, folded upwards along the midrib, covered with fine hairs when young; margin wavy and slightly rolled under; petiolule of terminal leaflet jointed. FLOWERS small, greenish-white; densely covered with cream to rusty velvety hairs on the calyx and stalk. FRUIT a flat pod, **swollen in the centre over the seeds, with a membranous wing all around.**

A rare tree of up to 20 m high on the plains on Impalila Island (1725CC); a common tree of over 8 m on the plains near the floodplain in 1724AD. A rare tree of 8 m on the golfcourse of Katima Mulilo. Young leaves and fruit recorded in November. Leaves, flowers and fruit recorded in October. There are also two earlier herbarium records from Katima Mulilo and the square to the south of it.

ERYTHROXYLACEAE

Erythroxylum zambesiacum

Zambezi Coca-tree

[3 records from 2 squares]

A shrub or small tree from the Zambezi Valley in Zimbabwe and Zambia. LEAVES simple, small, obovate to oblong, thinly textured, pale green, **with base running into petiole**; stipules triangular, fused, persistent. FLOWERS small, white, inconspicuous. FRUIT small, red, ellipsoid.

Three records from the Salambala Conservancy (1724DA & DC) in eastern Caprivi. A common tree of 5 m tall, but also a shrub 1-3 m high, on sandy plains. Flowers and fruit recorded in March. These are new records for Namibia (specimens CUR1/722 & 734).

Neoluederitzia sericeocarpa, flower, C. Mannheimer

