

Lycium cinereum

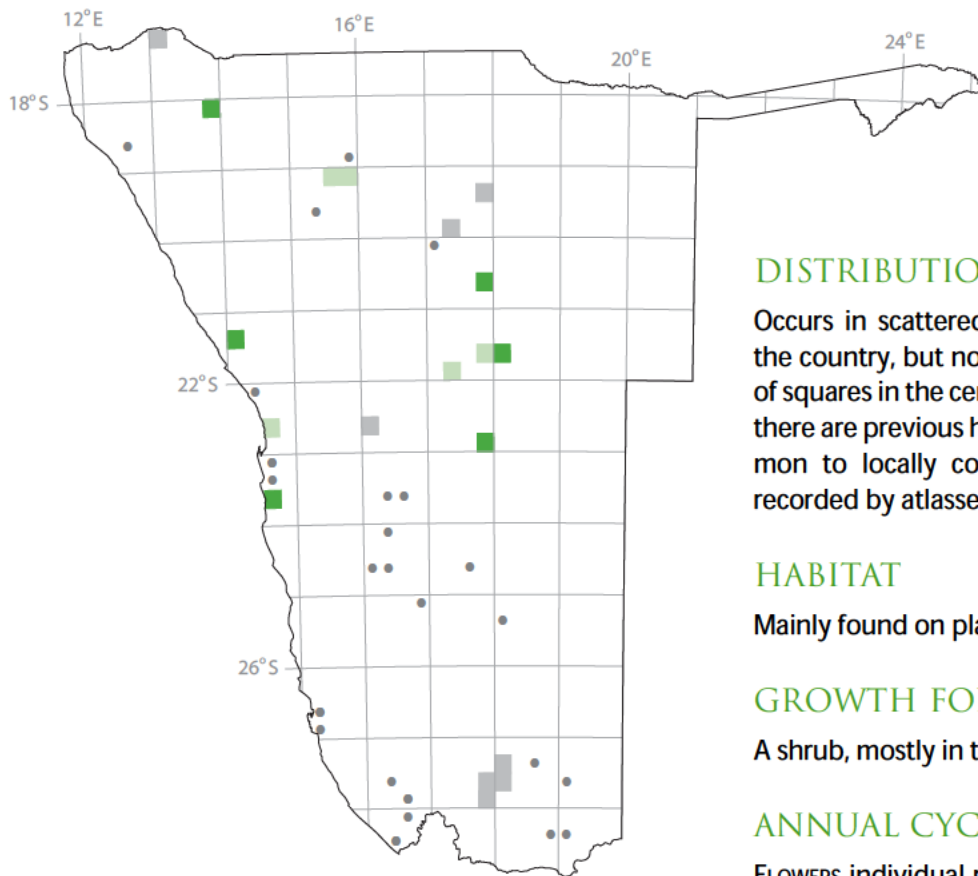
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[25 records from 18 (2%) squares]

Erect, rigid, very branched, **very thorny shrub**. STEMS rigid; young stems with thorns up to 30 mm long. LEAVES simple, oblong to narrowly oblong or spatulate, **clustered on branches and thorns**. FLOWERS solitary, trumpet-shaped, creamy white; lobes violet to dark

violet, **curved back; corolla tube less than 10 mm long; stamens and styles clearly protruding from the flower; calyx less than half the length of the tube**. FRUIT a small, red, ovoid to globose berry.



- Uncommon to rare
- Occasional
- Common to abundant
- No estimate of abundance
- Herbarium record, pre-1997

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Occurs in scattered localities across most of the country, but not recorded from a number of squares in the centre and south, from which there are previous herbarium records. Uncommon to locally common. Obviously under-recorded by atlasers.

HABITAT

Mainly found on plains and rivers.

GROWTH FORM

A shrub, mostly in the 1–3-m height class.

ANNUAL CYCLE

FLOWERS individual records from November to June. FRUIT individual records from January to June. LEAVES summer; insufficient observations in winter to comment.

CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.