

Psydrax livida= *Canthium huillense*

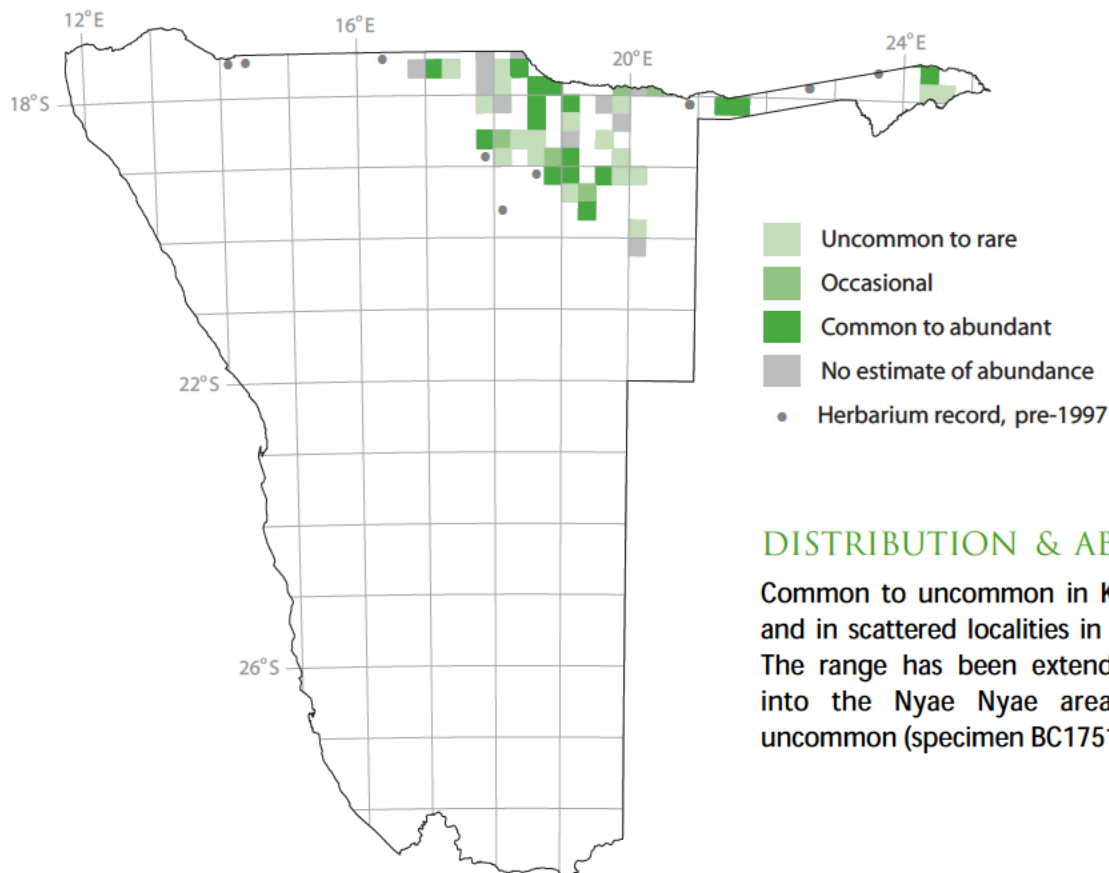
Green Tree

Groenboom (A); ja'arqa (J);
mumpumulenge (L); muputwe (Rum);
mudhigho-dhigo (T)

[64 records from 52 (5%) squares]



Stiff, evergreen or semi-deciduous shrub or small tree. BARK pale, smooth; young branchlets stiff, greenish, carried almost perpendicular to main branches. LEAVES simple, mainly on young, green branchlets; **broadly ovate to broadly lanceolate**; dark green, smooth; apex tapering to a point; base broadly **rounded** to almost **square**. FLOWERS small, tubular, white to greenish-cream; scented. FRUIT round to oval or two-lobed; black when mature.

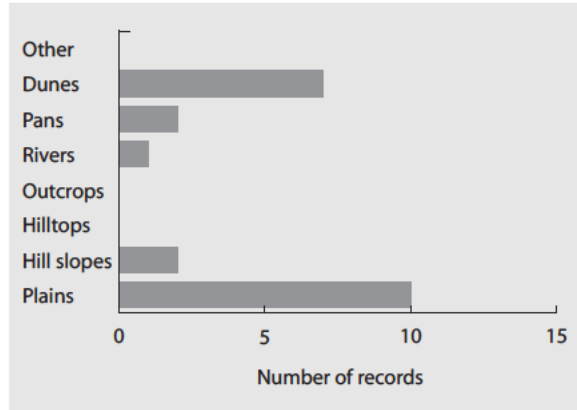


DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Common to uncommon in Kavango Region and in scattered localities in eastern Caprivi. The range has been extended southwards into the Nyae Nyae area, where it is uncommon (specimen BC1751, CUR1).

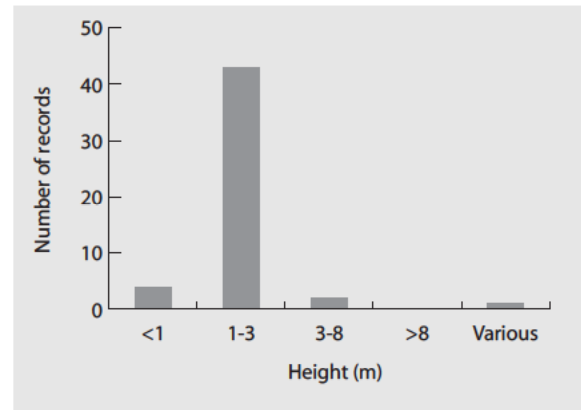
HABITAT

Mainly found on sandy plains in mixed woodlands and riverine forest; occasionally on dunes and pans; once in a dry river.



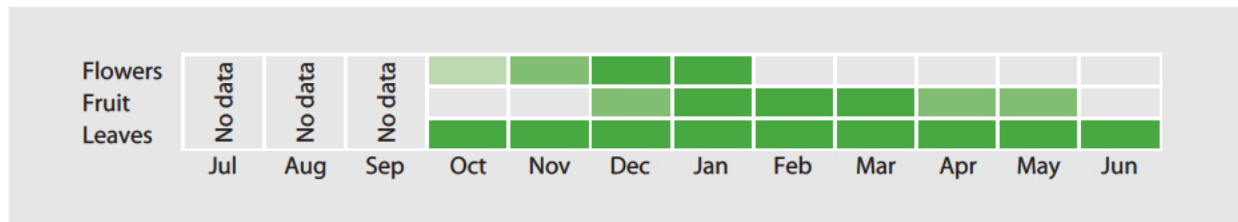
GROWTH FORM

Generally a shrub in the 1–3-m height class; occasionally (6% of records) over 3 m.



ANNUAL CYCLE

FLOWERS October to January, with single records up till June. FRUIT December to May. LEAVES apparently evergreen (no observations from July to September).



GENERAL

The leaves are browsed by game and livestock. The roots are used medicinally. The Thimbukushu common name, 'mudhighodhigo', is pronounced mutheewho-theewho.

CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.

Psydrax livida, leaves and flowers, C. Hines

