

Hermannia minimifolia

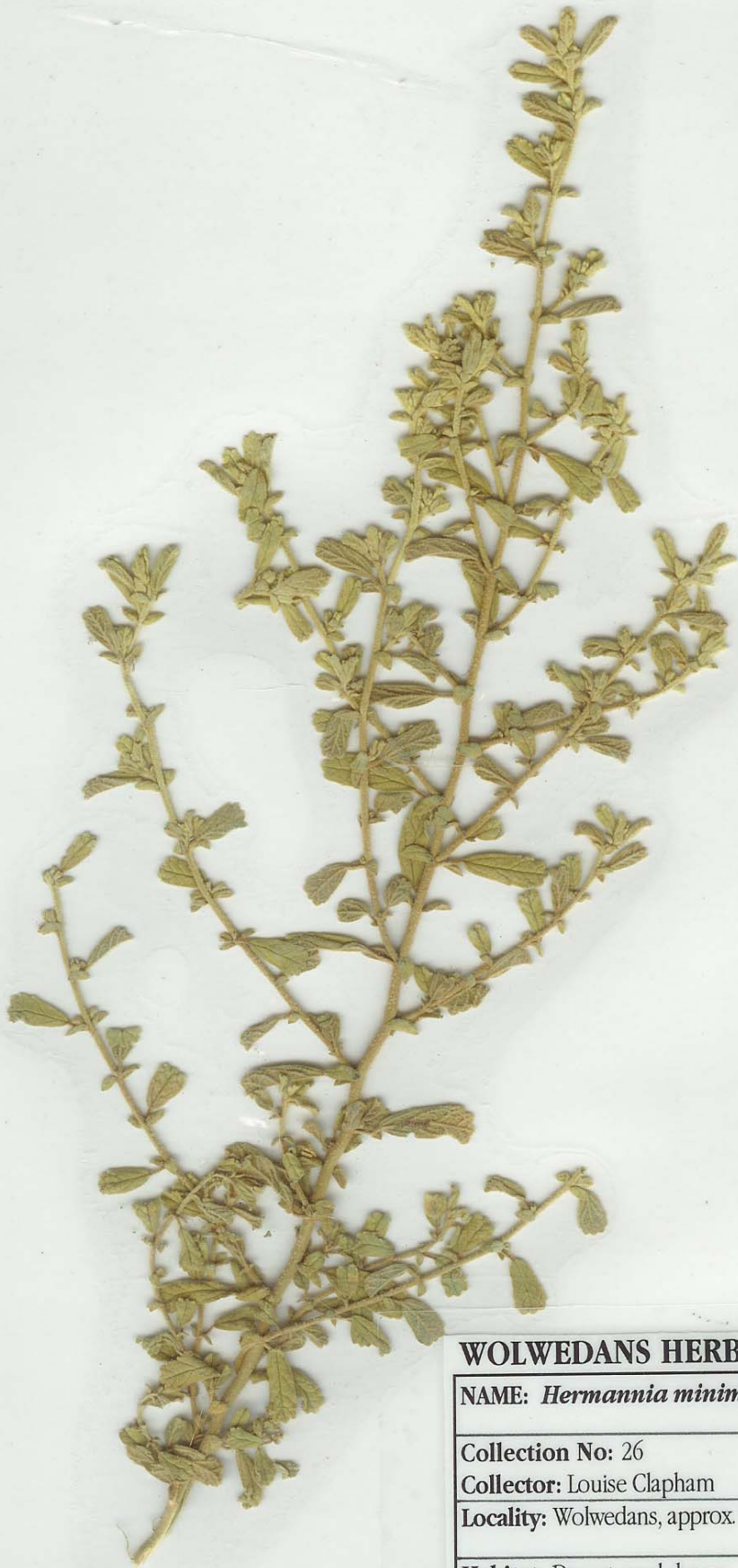
Family: Sterculiaceae



Collection Number: 26

Description: A small, bright green perennial shrub. It appears to grow only up to 40 - 50 cm in height. It has a single smooth, grey-brown woody stem, which branches about 10 cm above the ground. Leaves are small, light green and thick, with a soft velvety surface. The flowers are small and inconspicuous. The sepals open out to form a pointed star, while the deep red petals do not open much, remaining bud-like. They were flowering in July (2001), this could be the time of year they normally flower, or they were flowering following rain in June.

Habitat: Very common in the sand dunes, in interdunal valleys and stabilised dunes. These shrubs often grow in dense stands, but may sometimes be seen singly.



WOLWEDANS HERBARIUM (NRNR)

NAME: *Hermannia minimifolia*

Collection No: 26

Date: 10/06/99

Collector: Louise Clapham

Grid ref.: 2515 Bb

Locality: Wolwedans, approx. 5km south of Dune Camp, DDR road.

Habitat: Desert sand dunes

Plant features: Small perennial shrub, woody stem, branching about 10cm above ground. Leaves very small, light green, thick, soft surface, velvety. No flowers or fruit.

Other notes: Very common in localised areas.



Hermannia minimifolia

DATE 10.06.99

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Collector: W. G. Clapham

Preserved number:

LOCATION

Region:

Mountain:

Minor:

Prox: Sand dunes, ~ 5 km south of Dune Camp

Wohledau farm

HABITAT

Vegetation: Desert - sand dunes

Soil: sand

Moisture regime: well drained

Substrate: sand

Light: full sun

Exposure: full sun Aspect: SW-facing, slope gentle

Wind: strong Shape: shrub form, very much prostrate

PLANT FEATURES

Plant height: ranging from 10-15 cm

Small stem, woody stem, branching to 10 cm above ground, smooth grey brown stem, leaves small, light green, back brown, light surface velvety white (I think) but hair not visible at base. No flowers or fruit.

NOTE:

Leaf structure: very common in one

HERBARIUM LOT ONLY

Name of collector:

FRUIT	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	No. of labels	<input type="checkbox"/>
FLOWERS	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>		
SEEDS	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	TYPE SPECIMEN	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
SPECIMEN STATUS	Essential <input type="checkbox"/>	Keep <input type="checkbox"/>	Return <input type="checkbox"/>	Discard <input type="checkbox"/>
DUPLICATE	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		



Hermannia minimifolia flowers