

Indigophera heterotricha

Family: Fabaceae



Collection Number: 75

Description: A large to medium sized perennial, woody shrub. It branches from the base, branches and stems are long and slim. They are pale green and covered in very small, fine white hairs. Leaves are pinnately compound, leaflets are obovate with margins entire. The inflorescence is a raceme, flowers near the base of raceme mature earlier than those near the top. The flowers are relatively small and salmon pink in colour. They are typical of the family Fabaceae, being composed of five petals, differentiated into banner, alas and jointed carina. The fruit is a small, slim legume splitting into two.

Habitat: The shrub grows commonly on NamibRand on gravel and sandy plains, and at the base of rocky outcrops. It does not occur in the dune belt.



WOLWEDANS HERBARIUM (NRNR)

NAME: *Indigophera heterotricha*

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Collector: Louise Clapham

Grid ref.: 2416 Cc

Locality: Main drive to Draaihoek farmhouse, 8 km from the 826

Habitat: Sandy, gravel plain, shrubs and grassland. In the shade of trees.

Notes: Med. perennial woody shrub. Long, slim branches. Leaves pinnately compound. Flowers salmon pink, 5 petals differentiated into banner, alas and carina

