

Monechma cleomoides

Family: Acanthaceae



Collection Number: 21

Description: A small to medium sized perennial shrub. Woody, with dense foliage. Leaves are simple, narrowly elliptical and margins entire. Leaves are densely clustered together, and covered in fine white hairs. Flowers are small and inconspicuous, with blue/purple petals.

Habitat: *Monachma cleomoides* is very common on the reserve, occurring in the gravel plains and watercourses. It is particularly common in the plains at the base of the Nubib mountains.



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NAME: *Monechma cleomoides*

Collection No: 21

Date: 09.05.1999

Collector : Louise Clapham

Grid ref.: 2416 Cc

Locality: Keerweder. Stony plain at the base of the Nubib mts.

Habitat: Grassland with shrubs. Sandy gravel.

Plant features: Small dense shrub. Blue/purple flowers, inconspicuous. Leaves green and yellow.

Other notes: Abundant

Species name: *Monechma cleomoides*

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Locality (farm): Keerweder, base of Nubib mts.

Habitat: Grassland with shrubs

Soil type: Sand, gravel

Geology: Granite

Exposure: Full sun

Slope: Gentle

Altitude:

Moisture regime: Well drained

Abundance: Abundant

Plant description: Small shrub. Blue/purple flowers, leaves green and yellowing.

General notes:

Collector's name: Louise Clapham

Monechma cleomoides

DATE: 09.05.99

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LOCATION

Region: South west Namibia Grid ref: 2416 CC

Major: Maatsoho

Minor: Keewedes, N. mibrand N.R. Reliév

Precise: Stony plain at the base of the Nubib escarpment.

HABITAT

Vegetation type: Grassland with shrubs

Soil type: Stony with sand Moisture regime: well-drained

Soil type: Sandy gravel, Stony Lithology: mostly granitic ~~coarse~~

Exposure: Full sun Aspect: Slope: gentle

Biotic effect:

Notes:

PLANT FEATURES

Plant height: Mostly 40-50 cm

Small shrub. Blue/purple flower. Leaves green and yellowing

NOTES

Local abundance: abundant

HERBARIUM USE ONLY

Name of plant:

Genotype:

Det:

Date:

No. of labels:

FLOWERS Present Absent FRUIT Present Absent

SEEDS Present Absent TYPE SPECIMEN Yes No

SPECIMEN STATUS Essential Keep Return Discard

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