

Adesmia microphylla

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Taxonomic Authority: Hook. & Arn.

Global Assessment Regional Assessment

Region: Global

Endemic to region

Synonyms

Adesmia spinosa Lesson

Patagonium microph (Hooker & Arnott) Kuntze

Common Names

Upper Level Taxonomy

Kingdom: PLANTAE

Phylum: TRACHEOPHYTA

Class: MAGNOLIOPSIDA

Order: FABALES

Family: LEGUMINOSAE

Lower Level Taxonomy

Rank:

Infra- rank name:

Plant Hybrid

Subpopulation:

Authority:

Adesmia microphylla is a perennial shrub.

General Information

Distribution

A. microphylla is endemic to Chile found in the central provinces of Valparaíso, Coquimbo, Region Metropolitana de Santiago, Maule and Atacama.

Range Size

Area of Occupancy:

Extent of Occurrence:

Map Status:

Elevation

Upper limit: 1000

Lower limit: 400

Depth

Upper limit:

Lower limit:

Depth Zones

Shallow photic Bathyl Hadal

Photic Abyssal

Biogeographic Realm

Afrotropical

Antarctic

Australasian

Neotropical

Oceanian

Palearctic

Indomalayan

Nearctic

Population

There is currently not data available relating to the population size of this taxon, however is considered to be common within its range.

Total Population Size

Minimum Population Size:

Maximum Population Size:

Habitat and Ecology

A. microphylla is found on hills or fields as part of the xerophilous (dry) vegetation. The taxon often forms associations with scrub species such as *Proustia pungens* and *Lithraea caustica*.

System		Movement pattern			Crop Wild Relative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater	<input type="checkbox"/> Nomadic	<input type="checkbox"/> Congregatory/Dispersive	<input type="checkbox"/> Is the species a wild relative of a crop?	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Marine	<input type="checkbox"/> Migratory	<input type="checkbox"/> Altitudinally migrant		

Growth From	Definition
Shrub - size unkno	Perennial shrub (any size), also termed a Phanerophyte if >1m or a Chamaephyte if <1m

Threats

A. microphylla is not known to be specifically threatened, however there are a number of general threats in the Chilean matorral and the Atacama desert in which the taxon is found. These threats include a rise in the human population, which is associated with habitat loss due to urban development, the construction of roads and mining (Anderson et al 1990). Livestock grazing, logging, tourism, fuelwood gathering and commercial plant collecting are also leading to habitat degradation in the Valdivian temperate forests (Smith 2001).

	Past	Present	Future
13 None	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Conservation Measures

A. microphylla is known to occur within the Chilean National Chinchilla Reserve (Durán et al 1987) and there are several other protected areas within the species range. Seeds have been collected as a method of ex-situ conservation by the Millennium Seed Bank Project. There are also living collectings at the San Luis Obispo Botanical Gardens.

	In Place	Needed
3 Research actions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.2 Population numbers and range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.3 Biology and Ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.4 Habitat status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.5 Threats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.6 Uses and harvest levels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.7 Cultural relevance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.8 Conservation measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.9 Trends/Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.4 Protected areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5 Species-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.7 Ex situ conservation actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.7.2 Genome resource bank	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Countries of Occurrence

	PRESENCE							ORIGIN				
	Year Round	Breeding Season only	Non-breeding season only	Passage migrant	Possibly extinct	Extinct	Presence uncertain	Native	Introduced	Re-Introduced	Vagrant	Origin uncertain
Chile	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Atacama	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coquimbo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valparaíso	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<u>General Habitats</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Major Importance</u>
3 Shrubland	1	Suitable	Unset
3.5 Shrubland - Subtropical/Tropical Dry	1	Suitable	Unset

Species Utilisation

Species is not utilised at all

<u>Purpose / Type of Use</u>	<u>Subsistence</u>	<u>National</u>	<u>International</u>
2. Food - animal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A. microphylla is used as animal fodder (Ulibarri, 1986).

Trend in the level of wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over the last five years:

Trend in the amount of offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over the last five years:

CITES status: Not listed

IUCN Red Listing

Red List Assessment: (using 2001 IUCN system) Least Concern (LC)

Red List Criteria:

Date Last Seen (only for EX, EW or Possibly EX species):

Is the species Possibly Extinct? Possibly Extinct Candidate?

Rationale for the Red List Assessment

The distribution of A. microphylla does not meet the threshold for a threatened category. The taxon is known to occur within the protected areas network and seeds have been collected as a method of ex-situ conservation. The taxon is not considered to be specifically threatened despite general threats to the habitat. A. microphylla does not meet the criteria for a threatened category and is thus rated as Least Concern.

Reason(s) for Change in Red List Category from the Previous Assessment:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Genuine Change | <input type="checkbox"/> Nongenuine Change | <input type="checkbox"/> No Change |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Genuine (recent) <input type="checkbox"/> Genuine (since first assessment) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> New information <input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge of Criteria <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect data used previously | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Taxonomy <input type="checkbox"/> Criteria Revisio <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Same category and criteria <input type="checkbox"/> Same category but change in criteria |

Current Population Trend: Stable

Date of Assessment: 05/08/2010

Name(s) of the Assessor(s): Groom, A.

Evaluator(s):

Notes:

% population decline in the past:

Time period over which the past decline has been measured for applying Criterion A or C1 (in years or generations):

% population decline in the future:

Time period over which the future decline has been measured for applying Criterion A or C1 (in years or generations):

Number of Locations:

Severely Fragmented:

Number of Mature Individuals:

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