

## FLORIDA DIAMONDFLOWERS

*Hedyotis nigricans* var. *floridana* (Lam.)

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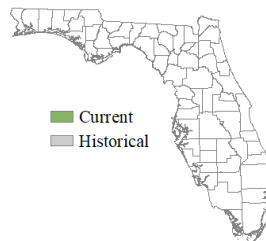
**Synonyms:** *Stenaria nigricans* (Lam.) Terrell  
var. *floridana* (Standl.) Terrell

**Family:** Rubiaceae (coffee)

**FNAI Ranks:** G5T2/S2

**Legal Status:** US-none FL-none

**Wetland Status:** US-none+ FL-UPL



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**Field Description:** Terrestrial, herbaceous, perennial. Does not exceed 10 cm in height. Prefers moist limestone rich soils. Small white flowers with four petals, with short, thin, opposite and paired leaves. Multistemmed with branches coming from leaf nodes.

**Similar Species:** Not populated in Biotics

**Related Rare Species:** None in FL.

**Habitat:** Pine rocklands

**Best Survey Season:** Flowers in Summer

**Range-wide Distribution:** Endemic to Florida in Miami-Dade and Monroe Keys.

**Conservation Status:** This species is vouchered from two counties in South Florida.

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**Protection and Management:** Preserve pine rockland habitats on the Miami Rock Ridge and the lower Florida Keys from clearing, development and erosion. Eradicate invasive plant species.

### References:

<http://regionalconservation.org/ircs/database/plants/PlantPage.asp?TXCODE=Stennigrflor>