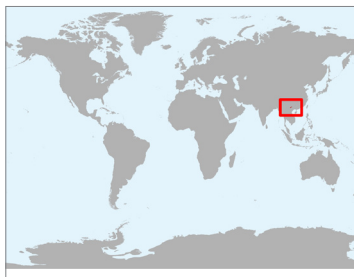




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Species of the Day: *Manglietia sinica*

Manglietia sinica, also known as *Magnolia sinica*, is listed as 'Critically Endangered' on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species™. This magnolia species occurs on forested slopes in south-east Yunnan, China, where it is known from just a single, tiny population.

Manglietia sinica is considered to be one of the most threatened magnolias in the world. Surveys in 2005 - 2006 found just 10 mature wild individuals, although subsequent work found an additional 40 trees, bringing the total wild population to 50 individuals. The species remains under threat from cutting, habitat destruction and poor natural regeneration.

A number of projects are now underway to restore and protect this rare plant. Several thousand saplings are currently held in nurseries, and individuals are gradually being replanted in the wild. The Global Trees Campaign has been working in partnership with various organisations to conserve this species. These efforts have helped to develop support for Wenshan National Nature Reserve, where the saplings are being planted, and enhanced the reserve's long-term future, giving added protection to this and other threatened species.

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