

Gigasiphon macrosiphon

About me: I am found in moist coastal forests of Kenya and Tanzania. I have beautiful white and golden flowers which can span up to eight inches. I was once feared to be extinct until I was rediscovered by botanists in 1990. My wood is used to make poles and tools.

Why I'm rare: The forests where I live are being destroyed to create farmland and for mining. There are thought to be fewer than 250 of me left in my natural habitat as a result I am listed as **Critically Endangered** on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species. Despite my recent rediscovery, continuing threats to my forest home mean I am still at risk of becoming extinct in the wild if urgent action is not taken to save me.

Taking action: I am found in five botanic gardens around the world. Botanic garden collections, such as this one, can be used as a source of plant material to increase my numbers in my natural habitat.



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