



Koʻoloaʻula



Plant Botanical Name:

Abutilon menziesii

Plant Threat Level:

Endangered

Abutilon menziesii is an endangered Hawaiian endemic shrub that grows in dry forests on the islands of Lana'i, Maui, O'ahu, and Hawai'i. Currently, fewer than ten naturally occurring populations remain. The rarity of this plant can be attributed to the alteration of habitat for agricultural and urban development, overgrazing by invasive weeds and invasive animals. A conservation plan has been implemented by federal and state agencies to protect remaining habitat, establish new populations, and conserve genetic material in seed banks and botanical gardens.

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