**Baphia pauloi** Brummitt

- **Fabaceae - Papilionoideae**

Striking identification features
- small showy flowers

Endemic species collected only once since its discovery in 1953! Probably Critically Endangered.

**Description**
- **Stature:** small tree.
- **Size:** -
- **Bark:** -
- **Leaves:** simple and alternate (up to 6 cm long and 3 cm wide).
- **Flower:** 2-7 small flowers (ca. 1 cm) on short axillary racemes.
- **Fruit:** pods have never been collected.
- **Seed:** unknown.

**Habitat requirements:** Unknown.

**Status and distribution:** Endemic to Kimboza. Species assessed as Endangered [B1ab(iii)+2ab(iii)] but is probably Critically Endangered as it has only been collected three times since its discovery despite substantial collecting efforts.

**Phenology:** Flowers in November.

**Reproduction:** -

**Locals uses:** None are known.

**Sources and further information**

Botanical description: Brummitt (1968), Gillett et al. (1971)

Herbarium specimens:
- Paulo 164 (K, EA, Lushoto)
- DSM 2470 (DSM)
- Festo 2245 (EA, K, MO, NHT), 2006-03-21


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