**Lingelsheimia sylvestris** (Radcl.-Sm.) Radcl.-Sm.  
**Euphorbiaceae**

- **Aerisilvaea sylvestris** Radcl.-Sm.

**Status global:** **Endangered (CR)**  
**Status local:** **Endangered**

An endemic small woody plant that is restricted to moist areas of Kimboza.

**Description**
- **Stature:** shrub/small tree.  
- **Size:** to 4 m high.  
- **Bark:** 
- **Leaves:** alternate, large, up to 20 cm long.  
- **Flower:** small flowers on axillary inflorescences. Monoecious, with male (17-20 stamens) and female flowers occurring on the same shoot.  
- **Fruit:** 3-seeded fruit.  
- **Seed:**

**Status and distribution:** This species is the only member of the genus. It is restricted to Kimboza Forest and is confined to an area no greater than 0.1 km². Discovered in 1987 and described in 1990. Species assessed as Critically Endangered (B1ab(iii)).

**Habitat requirements:** This shrub appears to be restricted to swampy areas with permanent rivulets and dominated by Pandanus rabaiensis.

**Phenology:** With flowers and fruits in November.

**Reproduction:**

**Uses in East Africa:** None are known.

**Locals uses:** None are known.

**Sources and further information**
- **Botanical description:** Radcliffe-Smith & Harley (1990)
- **Herbarium specimens:**
  - Kayombo 5327 (EA, K, MO, NHT), 2006-03-20  