

Threatened Flora on Kangaroo Island **VULNERABLE**

Splendid Bush-pea *Pultenaea villifera* var. *glabrescens*



What does it look like?

- Splendid Bush-pea can be a scrambling plant or a shrub that stands to head height.
- The flowers are slender and clear to yellow.
- The flowers are found along the stems of the plant.
- Large dark green leaves, have a few fine hairs along their edges and are pointed.
- The leaves have one or two prominent lateral veins on the surface.

How do they live?

- The flowers of the Splendid Bush-pea are seen in late spring.
- It is found in gorges and rocky creeklines.

Conservation rating

Splendid Bush-pea is rated as **VULNERABLE** under national and state legislation. It is rated as vulnerable on Kangaroo Island.

Where does it occur?

Splendid Bush-pea is **ENDEMIC** to South Australia.

It is found on the north coast of Kangaroo Island within the Ravine Des Casoars Wilderness Protection Area, near Harveys Return and in the Western River Wilderness Protection Area. It is also found on private land along the De Mole and Rocky King George rivers.

Where is it conserved on Kangaroo Island?

Splendid Bush-pea is conserved in the Ravine Des Casoars Wilderness Protection Area. One plant is also known to occur in Western River Wilderness Protection Area.

Threats



Further reading

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