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Streptocarpus ionantha subsp. rupicola

Family:Gesneriaceae

ENG:African Violet

IUCN red list of Critically endangered. Rocky moist areas.

The highly fragmented remnant patches of coastal forests of Kenya are refugia to high endemic and endangered plant species diversity, including the rare African violets, commonly known as the Saintpaulia. This project focuses on the critically endangered Streptocarpus ionanthus subsp. rupicola which is only survived by three populations occurring at the Coast of Kenya. According to the IUCN review and assessment, most populations have disappeared, and the extant ones reduced in size due to the current anthropogenic activities in the area. Therefore, our project aims to enhance conservation of these rare species in Kenya through a community-based approach which is expected to lead to expansion of the populations.

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Propagate from leaf cuttings. Keep in a bright place out of direct sunlight. Free draining soil. Do Not over water.

Some plants are in private collections where leaves can be taken.



Chasimba Caves