





Cassytha filiformis
Family : Lauraceae

Eng: Laurel dodder
Ksw: Ugoro / Kamba ya mchwa

Parasitic vine pale green turning yellow to orange with small white flowers and small green drupe fruit.

The vine can weaken young trees and shrubs so repeat manual removal prior to fruiting is recommended.

It has some benefits. On my plot it seems to prefer neem trees preventing their dominance by reducing their spread, and drops organic matter to the ground providing nutrients to the understorey tree canopy plants.