

HELP US PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF RARE PLANTS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT

Hawai'i Rare Plant Restoration Group

Our mission is to prevent the extinction of native Hawaiian plants and provide for their recovery through a cooperatively administered off-site plant conservation system in collaboration with on-site management partners to sample, propagate, and reintroduce rare plants, and to advance the preservation of native plants and their habitats through effective communication and public education.

HAWAI'I RARE PLANT CODE OF CONDUCT

Over **30%** of Hawaiian native plants are **threatened** or **endangered**.

This underscores the need for responsible and respectful behavior when encountering rare plants and visiting the habitats on which they depend.

BE A CONSIDERATE GUEST!

Rare Plant Management Programs in Hawai'i:

Rare Plant Program, State of Hawai'i,
Division of Forestry and Wildlife,
Native Ecosystems Protection and
Management Program:

www.dlnr.hawaii.gov/ecosystems/rare-plants/

Plant Extinction Prevention Program:

www.pepphi.org/

O'ahu Army Natural Resources Program:

www.manoa.hawaii.edu/hpicesu/dpw.htm

National Tropical Botanical Garden,
Conservation Program: www.ntbg.org/

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands:

www.fws.gov/pacificislands/

GUIDELINES FOR THE RESPONSIBLE VIEWING OF RARE NATIVE PLANTS IN THE WILD

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Give respect and you will receive respect

Every day, more and more people are developing an appreciation for the unique and precious flora found in Hawai'i, and many dedicated professionals and volunteers are working for its conservation. Please join them in safeguarding the future of our islands' plants and their natural environment.

The agencies and programs that manage rare plants in Hawai'i visit rare plant habitats only when absolutely necessary in order to carry out essential and beneficial recovery efforts for a species. Precautions are always taken to minimize their impact. We encourage plant enthusiasts to refrain from visiting rare plants and abide by the guidelines outlined below:



Keep your distance!

Stay on official roads, trails and paths, and do not approach rare plants within 10 ft. To enjoy the beauty of a plant, use binoculars and telephoto lenses



Use discretion!

Share rare plant locations only with rare plant management programs



Respect the law!

Rare, threatened and endangered plants are protected by State and Federal laws



Be mindful when photographing!

Do not post or share rare plant location information on social media



Do not collect any plant material, seeds or seedlings!

Collecting plant material harms the plant's ability to survive, grow and reproduce, and is also against the law without a permit



Practice hiking protocols that protect rare plants and their environment!

Clean your hiking gear thoroughly before and after visiting a natural area to prevent the introduction of invasive species

Please follow this code. Distribute it and teach it to others!

Download and read the full text version of the code here: www.dlnr.hawaii.gov/ecosystems/rare-plants/