Two ‘Extinct’ Trees Rediscovered Near Kilwa, Tanzania

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Abstract

Preliminary botanical explorations in the little-known Namatimbili-Ngarama forest block located some 35 km inland of Kilwa in south-east Tanzania have rediscovered and further confirmed the presence of two tree species, *Erythrina schliebenii* Harms and *Karomia gigas* (Faden) Verde., that were previously thought to have become extinct. Both trees are endemic to the Coastal Forests of Eastern Africa hotspot and to the Swahilian Regional Centre of Endemism.