

53. Woodbush Granite Grassland (Gm 25)

Reference number	Gm 25
Listed under Criterion	A1
Biome	Grassland
Province	Limpopo
Municipalities	Greater Letaba LM, Greater Tzaneen LM, Polokwane LM and Lepele-Nkumpi LM
Original area of ecosystem	34 000 ha
Remaining natural area of ecosystem (%)	27%
Proportion of ecosystem protected	0% of original area
Known number of species of special concern	4 endemic plant species

Geographical location

Occurs on the Woodbush Plateau and its outliers, to the north of the Wolkberg, on the Groot Letaba watershed west of Duiwelskloof, Tzaneen and Lenyenye.

Description

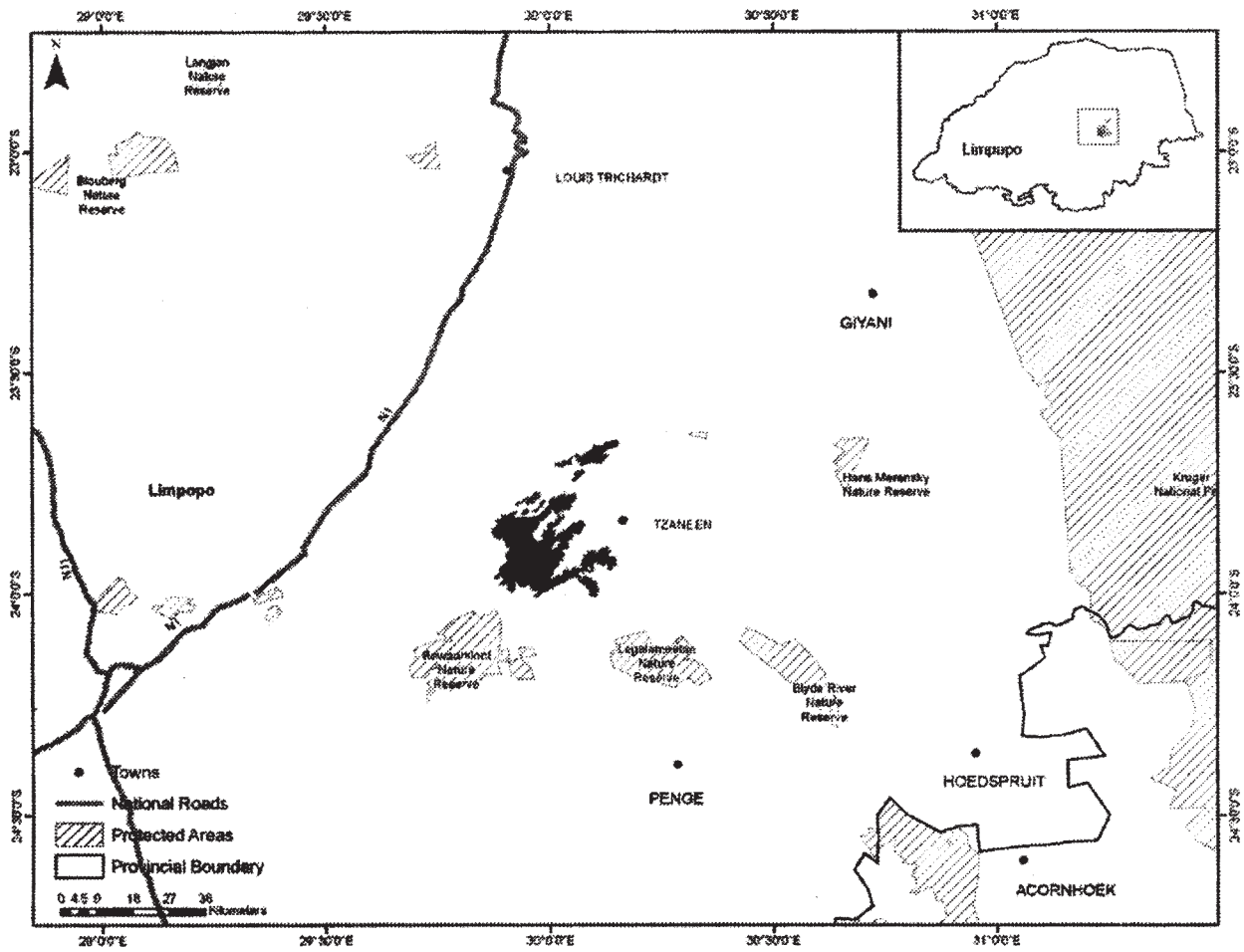
Mountainous plateau covered by grassland, showing increased low-shrub density on steep south- and east-facing slopes. At least four endemic plant species occur in the ecosystem.

Other information

The ecosystem is not protected.

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Location of Woodbush Granite Grassland showing original area of ecosystem