

ABOUT


- Tends to grow along or near water courses
- Erect, compact or spreading to clambering
- Stem angular, roughly hairy with unpleasantly sharp, curved prickles
- Many branched shrub, up to 3 m high
- Leaves leathery with serrate margin, strong smelling, when rubbed
- Flowers small, trumpet shaped, in dense clusters near branch tips, orange/yellow
- Fruit carried in clusters of shiny, round berries

DID YOU KNOW ?

There are two non-invasive indigenous species

- *Lantana angolensis* (lilac)
- *Lantana dinteri* (white)

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Lantana camara



Lantana, Tick-berry, Wilderoosmaryn,
Gomdagga, Onona yo musita



THREATS

- Popular garden plant that spreads easily and widely out of gardens by birds
- Non-native (Americas)
- Aggressive, fast growing, noxious – arduous manual eradication
- Forms dense, impenetrable stands
- Smothers other plants
- Disrupts natural ecosystems
- Berries toxic to livestock and poisonous in large quantities
- Already a major problem in Waterberg, Otavi and Rundu areas

