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Scientific name
Pyrrhobryum spiniforme

Common name
Bonsai moss

Family
Rhizogoniaceae

National Status: Endangered (EN)

Habitat and Ecology: Usually found on moist slanting to vertical cliff faces and also on dead logs and large boulders.

Distribution: Throughout Malesia. Locally found only in Bukit Timah Nature Reserve today.

Threats: Destruction of habitat and the disturbance of the forest due to heavy volume of visitors.

Scientific interest and potential value: A close relative of *Pyrrhobryum spiniforme*, *P. dozymanum*, is commonly used as an ornamental in Japanese moss landscaped trays and bonsai gardens.

Conservation measures: The only known locality in Singapore today is protected within the Bukit Timah Nature Reserve.