



Phyllostegia warshaueri

Photos provided by the Volcano Rare Plant Facility

As of June, 2009 fewer than ten *Phyllostegia warshaueri* plants exist on the Island of Hawai'i's Kohala Mountain. This endemic plant is in the mint family and grows as a sprawling or climbing vine. PEP is currently working with the State of Hawai'i's Natural Area Reserve staff to manage this species. There are twenty different *Phyllostegia* species endemic to Hawai'i!*



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PEP's mission is to protect Hawai'i's rarest native plants from extinction. PEP is committed to reverse the trend toward extinction by managing wild plants, collecting seeds and establishing new populations. PEP focuses on species that have fewer than fifty plants remaining, collaborating with conservation partners with a shared interest in preserving Hawai'i's unique biodiversity. Mahalo to the US Forest Service and the IUCN for their support of the PEP Program.

* *Manual of the Flowering Plants of Hawai'i: revised edition*, 1999 Wagner, Herbst, and Sohmer