

GLOBAL INVASIVE SPECIES DATABASE

Adenanthera pavonina 🧰 简体中文 正體中文			System: Terrestrial	
Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Plantae	Magnoliophyta	Magnoliopsida	Fabales	Fabaceae
Common name	peacock tree (English), kulalis (English, Guam), pitipitio (English, French Polynesia), vaivainivavalangi (English, Fiji), metekam (English, Kosrae), kulales (English, Guam), kolales (English, Guam), red sandalwood tree (English), telentundalel (English, Palau), la'aulopa (English, American Samoa), lopa (English, American Samoa), carolina (Portuguese, Brazil), olho-de-pavão (Portuguese, Brazil), segavé (Portuguese, Brazil), falso-sândalo (Portuguese, Brazil), peacock flower-fence (English), coral bean tree (English), red bead tree (English), false wili wili (English), bead tree (English), mwetkwem (English, Kosrae), bois de condori (French), kaikes (English, Pohnpei), paina (English, French Polynesia), culalis (English, Guam), vaivai (English, Fiji), lerendamu (English, Fiji), metkem (English, Kosrae), metkam (English, Kosrae), lera (English, Fiji), pomea (English, Fiji), colales (English, Guam), telengtúngd (English, Palau)			
Synonym	Adenanthera polita , Miq Adenanthera gersenii , Scheffer			
Similar species				
Summary	and Malays ornamenta undisturbed	A medium-sized tree up to 15m high, Adenanthera pavonina is native to India and Malaysia. It has been planted extensively throughout the tropics as an ornamental and has become naturalised in many countries. It invades intact, undisturbed hardwood forests as well as disturbed sites and can quickly form large colonies.		
C REP	view this species on IUCN Red List			

Notes

Adenanthera pavonina is reported to be very invasive in American Samoa and widespread on Kosrae.

Uses

Cultivated as an ornamental; *Adenanthera pavonina* is used for food, medecine, furniture, and fuelwood. The bright-red seeds are used for ornaments and sometimes for food. In the Caribbean, the bright red seeds produced by this tree are known as \"jumbie\" beads. They are also called \"Circassian\" seeds. Also, a red dye obtained from the wood is used by Brahmins to mark religious symbols on their forehead.

Habitat Description

Adenanthera pavonina prefers neutral to slightly acidic soils but will grow on a variety of soils in moist and seasonally moist tropical climates. It is common throughout the lowland tropics up to 300-400 m. Optimal plant growth occurs in areas with precipitation ranging between 3000-5000mm.

Reproduction

Adenanthera pavonina reproduces by seed, trees produce large quantities of seed.



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General Impacts

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Management Info

Preventative measures: A Risk Assessment of \rAdenanthera pavonina for Hawai'i and other Pacific islands was prepared by Dr. Curtis Daehler (UH Botany) with funding from the Kaulunani Urban Forestry Program and US Forest Service. The alien plant screening system is derived from Pheloung et al. (1999) with minor modifications for use in Pacific islands (Daehler et al. 2004). The result is a score of 7 and a recommendation of: \"Likely to cause significant ecological or economic harm in Hawai'i and on other Pacific Islands as \rdetermined by a high WRA score, which is based on published sources describing species biology and behaviour in Hawai'i and/or \rther parts of the world.\"

Pathway

Principal source: Pacific Islands Ecosystems at Risk, (PIER).

Compiler: IUCN/SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG)

Review:

Pubblication date: 2006-03-23

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[1] SOLOMON ISLANDS
[1] SURINAME
[1] TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF
[6] TONGA
[2] UNITED STATES
[1] WALLIS AND FUTUNA

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