

## Lesotho

Total no. of Botanic Gardens recorded in Lesotho: 2.  
Approx. no. of living plant accessions recorded in these botanic gardens: Up to 1,000  
Approx. no. of taxa in these collections: c.500  
Estimated % of pre-CBD collections: Unknown.

Location: MASERU

Founded: 1995

Garden Name: Katse Botanical Garden

Address: P.O. Box 7332, Maseru 100 (LHDA offices).

Status: Parastatal, Lesotho Highlands Development Authority (LHDA)

Herbarium: No

Ex situ Collections:

Approximately 90% of the collections in the garden are of indigenous plants. The Garden has access to a seed bank through the National Plant Genetic Resources Centre in Maseru. 30 families are listed by the Southern African Botanical Gardens Needs Assessment (2000) as represented in the collection.

No. of taxa: Approximately 400

Rare & Endangered plants: Aloe polyphylla, Kniphofia spp., medicinal plants

Location: ROMA

Garden Name: University Botanic Garden

Address: c/o Biology Department, National University of Lesotho, PO Roma 180

Status: University

Herbarium: Yes. Approx. no. of herbarium specimens: 15,000.

Ex situ Collections:

No information on its collections is available.

*Key reference:*

Botha, D.J., Willis, C.K. and Winter, J.H.S (2000). *Southern African Botanical Gardens Needs Assessment*. Southern Africa Botanical Diversity Network Report No. 11. Pretoria, South Africa.