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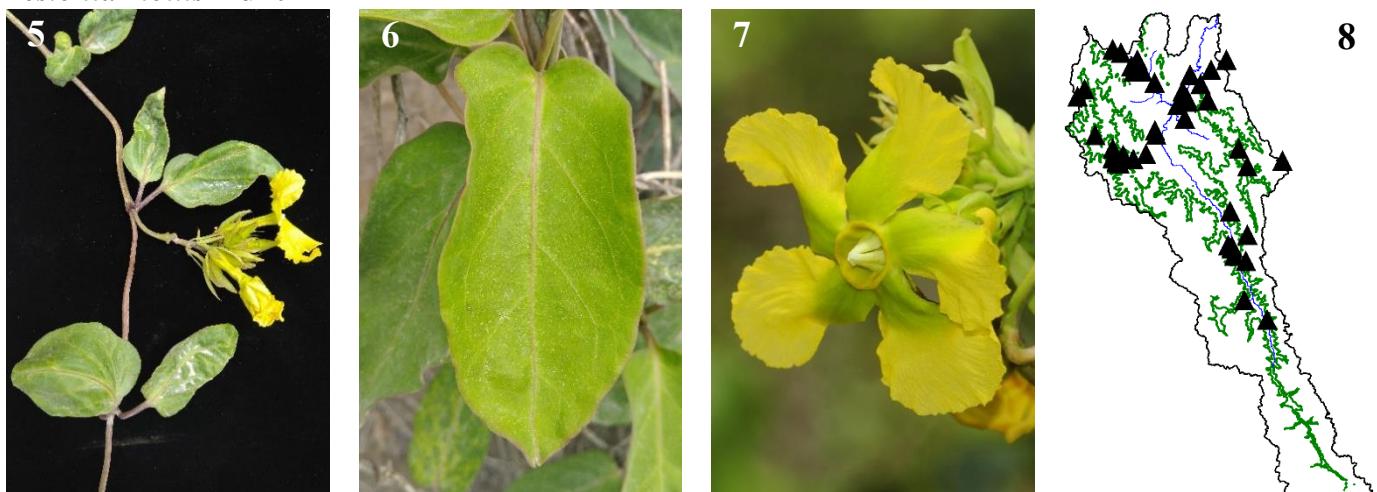
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## *Allamanda weberbaueri* Markgr.



Erect shrub or tree, to 5 m. 1100-2400 m. Endemic to the Marañón SDTF. VU, B1a<sup>1</sup>. **1** Habit. **2** Corolla. **3** Fruit. **4** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Prestonia mollis* Kunth



Liana. 300-2300 m. Widespread. **5** Habit. **6** Leaf. **7** Corolla. **8** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Mandevilla callacatensis* Markgr.



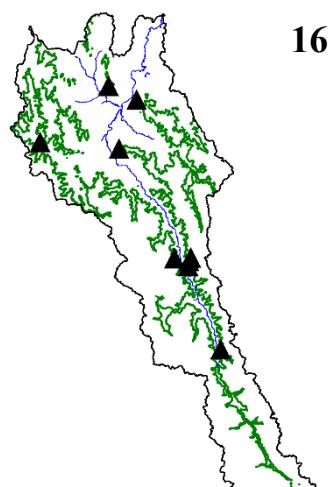
Liana. 1100-2500 m. Endemic to Peru. **9** Branch. **10** Inflorescence. **11** Corolla. **12** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

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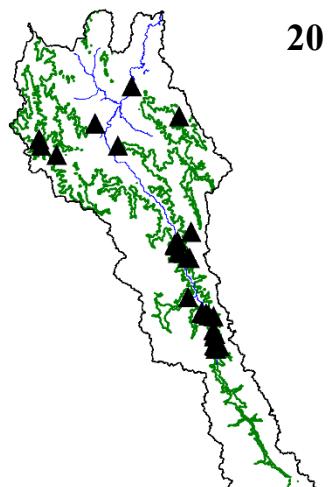
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## *Asclepias curassavica* L.



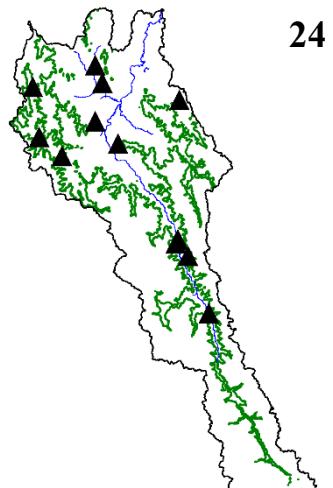
Herb, 0.3-1 m. 600-2300 m. Widespread. **13** Habit. **14** Corolla. **15** Fruit. **16** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Vallesia glabra* (Cav.) Link



Shrub or tree, to 3 m. 400-2100 m. Widespread. LC<sup>2</sup>. **17** Branch. **18** Leaf detail. **19** Flowers. **20** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Rauvolfia tetraphylla* L.



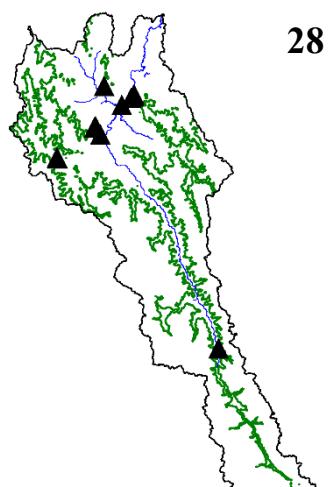
Shrub. 800-1200 m. Widespread. **21** Habit. **22** Flowers. **23** Fruit. **24** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

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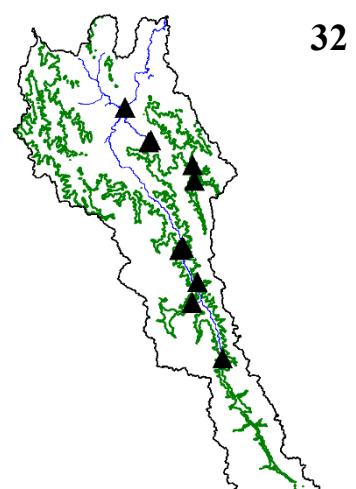
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## *Funastrum clausum* (Jacq.) Schltr.



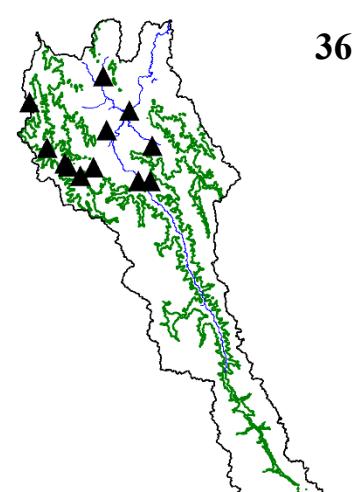
Liana, to 6 m. 500-1500 m. Widespread. 25 Habit. 26 Inflorescence. 27 Corolla. 28 Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Philibertia solanoides* Kunth



Liana, to 2 m. 500-1700 m. Widespread. 29 Inflorescence. 30 Corolla. 31 Fruit. 32 Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

## *Aspidosperma polyneuron* Müll.Arg.



Tree, to 20 m. 300-1200 m. Widespread. EN<sup>3</sup>. 33 Habit. 34 Branch. 35 Inflorescence. 36 Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.

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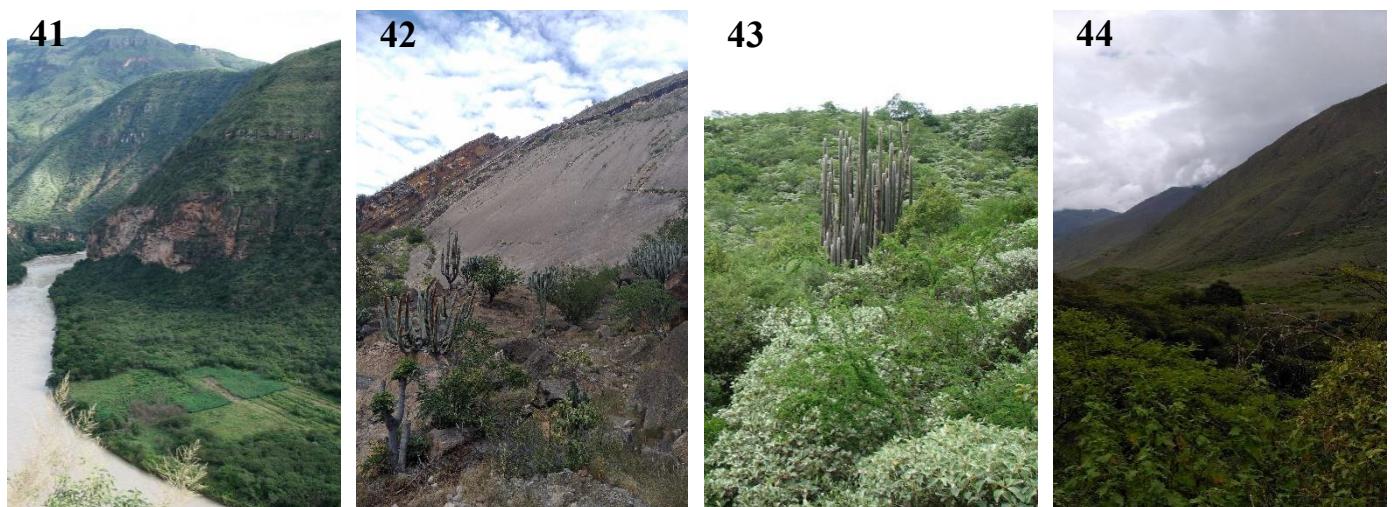
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## Ruehssia cundurango (Triana) Liede & H.A.Keller



Scandent shrub, 1-2.5 m. 1600-2100 m. Widespread. **37** Leaf. **38** Corolla. **39** Fruit. **40** Distribution in the Marañón SDTF.



The ten species featured here are the most common Apocynaceae species found in the Marañón SDTF, it is thought that there at least another 23 species<sup>4</sup> many of which are currently undescribed or are poorly known locally restricted endemics<sup>5</sup>.

The Marañón SDTF shows a stratification of vegetation types by altitude, this is most pronounced in the upper reaches of the watershed (south of Cumba). *Rauvolfia tetraphylla* is typical of riverine vegetation which is usually most under pressure from agriculture (**41**) & around settlements. *Vallesia glabra*, *Funastrum clausum*, *Philibertia solanoides* & *Aspidosperma polyneuron* are common in the most xeric SDTF to 1000 m which is dominated by cacti, *Eriotheca* and spiny Leguminosae (**42**). From 1000-1500 m the vegetation typically grades to *Croton* spp shrubland (**43**). *Allamanda weberbaueri*, *Mandevilla callacatensis* & *Ruehssia cundurango* can be found in *Vachellia* spp-dominated woodland at 1500-2300 m (**44**). *Prestonia mollis* & *Asclepias curassavica* are weedy species found throughout all elevations of the dry forest, especially in disturbed places (roadsides, riverbanks etc).

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