

What's flowering in March?



AIZOACEAE

Carpobrotus edulis

Sour fig; Suurvy

A trailing succulent which grows like a ground cover. It flowers throughout summer. The flowers start off yellow and turn pink with age.

The fruit, once dried, is used to make jam.



AMARYLLIDACEAE

Brunsvigia orientalis

Chandelier lily; Kandelaar

A bulbous perennial which flowers in February and March. Likes to grow on an eastern slope (orientalis). A lovely surprise in late summer.

The flowers seem to pop out of the bare ground. Leaves start growing in early winter (March/April) once seeds have blown away – usually 6 huge leaves.



ASTERACEAE

Osteospermum monilifera

Tickberry; Bietou

These bushes of up to 2m are covered in yellow daisy-like flowers from March to November.

Some say they smell like chocolate.

This is followed by red or black edible berries, which we believe were an important Khoi food.



AMARYLLIDACEAE

Euclea racemosa

Kersbos

Compact shrublet with thick, leathery leaves.

Flowers are small, bell-shaped and creamy white in colour.

Flowers from December to March.