

Two new species of *Aristolochia* series Thrysicae (Aristolochiaceae) from southern Central America, with comments on morphologically similar species

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Abstract

Aristolochia longissima and *Aristolochia ornithorhyncha*, two new species from the lowland moist forest from the Pacific watershed of southern Costa

Rica and western Panama, are described and illustrated. Both species can be distinguished from most other species of *Aristolochia* series *Thrysicae*, because of their leaves with pellucid gland dots, which are here documented in Aristolochiaceae for the first time. Comments about their distribution, habitat, phenology, conservation status and distinction from related species are provided. The circumscription of *Aristolochia belizensis*, *A. chapmaniana*, *A. fragrantissima*, *A. ovalifolia*, *A. schmidtiana* and *A. tonduzii* is discussed.

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