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Asparagus densiflorus

Description

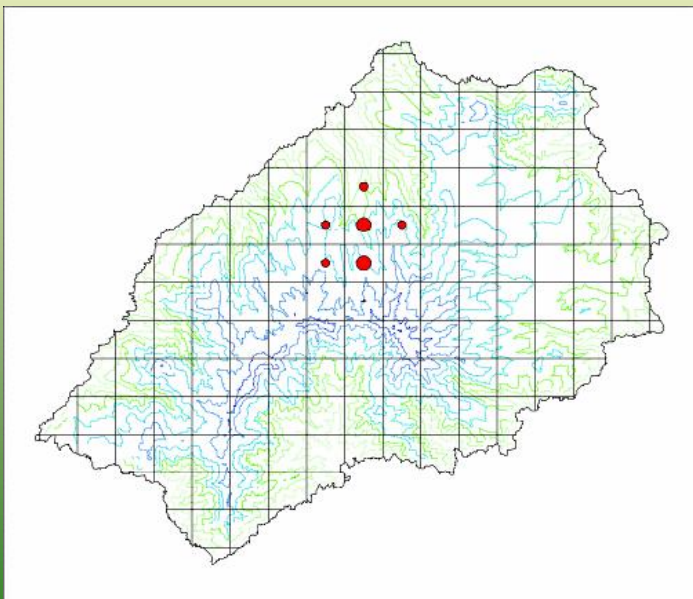
- Grows from white bulbs to produce long leafy stems which climb through other dense plants
- The stems have small but sharp hooked thorns.
- The leaves are divided into many parts
- White flowers are found in long clusters which then produce red berries
- The plant can spread by its bulbs, and some remain dormant for a long time.



Photo: Andrew Darlow

Distribution

- A relatively recent arrival, but spreading fast, especially near Alarm Forest, Knollcombes and woodland along Briars Gut.



Habitat

Habitat includes:

- Alien thickets/hedges
- Tall semi-woody alien stands
- Roadside banks with trees