Fire risk report for Cananga odorata

Full Species Name

Cananga odorata (Lam.) Hook.f & Thoms.

Family: Annonaceae

Common names:

ylang-ylang

Synonyms:

Known occurrences (as of 2020)



Year first documented as naturalized in Hawai'i: 2013

This species has been ranked by the Hawai'i Weed Risk Assessment program as Low Risk with a score of 3.

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0 .5 .1 Lowest risk \Leftrightarrow Highest risk

This species is likely a **low** fire risk in Hawai'i with a fire risk score of **0.25**.

This species was ranked by our machine learning algorithm using the data presented on the next page. A predicted score of > .34 suggests the plant is a high fire risk.

Summary of Fire ecology			
Native habitat fire proneness	Uncertain		
Fire promoting plant in its native range	No		
Fire promoting plant in its introduced range*	No		
Regenerates after fire	Yes		
Promoted by fire	no data		
Reported flammable*	Low		
Relative is flammable*	No		

^{*}These values were used by the model to predict fire risk

Detailed summary of Fire Ecology

Native habitat fire proneness (In any part of the plant's native range is its habitat described as fire prone due to natural or human caused fires?)	Uncer tain	"It is a component of tropical moist to seasonally dry forests in its native Indo-Pacific range. In Indonesia, ylang-ylang is found in mixed and teak forests [14]." #seasonallly dry forests could be fire prone, but uncertain. https://www.fs.fed.us/research/publications/misc/63343_2 009%20Parrotta%20Cananga%20odorata.pdf Parrotta, John A. 2009. Cananga odorata. In: Enzyklopädie der Holzgewächse [Encyclopaedia of Woody Plants]. Wiley-VCH, Germany.
Fire promoting plant in its native range (Does the species act as a major fuel source, increase fire severity, frequency, or modify fuel bed characteristics within its native range?)	No	
Fire promoting plant in its introduced range (Same as Fire Promoting Native but within the species introduced range)	No	
Regenerates after fire (Does the plant regrow after fire by any means? This includes resprouters, reseeders, and recruiters which dispersed into the area within approximately one year post fire)	Yes	"1.9% relative abundance 5 years after fire [table 1]" https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1111/j.1744-7429.2001.tb00176.x Hjerpe, J., Hedenâs, H., & Elmqvist, T. (2001). Tropical Rain Forest Recovery from Cyclone Damage and Fire in Samoa 1. Biotropica, 33(2), 249-259. ". The distribution pattern of four native species—Artocarpus 53 anisophyllus, Cananga odorata, Croton laevifolius and Macaranga gigantea—changed after 54 repeated fires, from uniform to clumped. "#uncertain what this means. They don't have any unburned comparison sites. So it seems it may regenerate? https://journal.biotrop.org/index.php/biotropia/article/view File/907/567

		Rahayu, S. (2020). DOMINANCE, ASSOCIATION AND DISTRIBUTION PATTERN OF TREE SPECIES IN BURNT FOREST IN EAST KALIMANTAN. BIOTROPIA-The Southeast Asian Journal of Tropical Biology. "60% mortality after fire [table 5]" http://www.itto.int/files/itto_project_db_input/2115/Techn ical/PD%2017%EF%BC%8F87%EF%BC%88F)%20Effects%20 of%20the%20Forest%20Fire%201982%EF%BC%8F83%20in %20East%20Klimantan%20on%20Wildlife%20FR-Report%20No,7.pdf Boer, C. (1989). Effects of the forest fire 1982-83 in East Kalimantan on wildlife. FR Report, (7), 1-7.
Promoted by fire (Does the plant increase in abundance after a fire?)	no data	
Reported flammable (Is the species described as being flammable, being a major wildfire fuel, or high fire risk?)	Low	
Relative is flammable (Does a plant in the same genus meet the Reported Flammable criteria?)	No	#only one other member in genus

Text in quotes are direct quotes from the source

Text in square brackets was added by the assessor to clarify something or to summarize from a figure. Text preceded by a "#" is comment from the assessor

The data presented were assembled from literature and database searches for each species using as much data as could be collected regarding the plant's fire ecology under natural conditions. Searches aimed to be exhaustive and consist of as much data as could be located in 2020. Our machine learning algorithm was trained on 49 species of plants which had their fire risk ranked by 49 managers in Hawai'i in November 2020. The model used a conditional random forest regression algorithm to predict scores for each species using the manager score as the response variable and the fire ecology traits of each plant as the predictor variables to generate a fire risk score. This trained model was then used to predict the fire risk for all species which

were not ranked by managers. The model was calibrated such that it is 90% accurate at predicting high fire risk plants and 79% accurate at predicting low fire risk plants. This research and the resulting fire risk model has been published in the journal <u>Biological Invasions</u> by <u>Kevin Faccenda</u> and <u>Curt Daehler</u> (both at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa).

Note that the analysis doesn't account for a plant species' spatial distribution, population density, or distinct climate and ecosystem conditions (which can also influence fire risk). The fire risk of these species are mostly under "worst case" environmental conditions where the climate is dry enough to maintain fire, but wet enough to allow for plant growth and fuel accumulation. The fire risk ranking should not be taken as a stand-alone risk metric in prioritizing weed control efforts. Rather, this information may also be useful for determining if a newly discovered species poses a potential fire threat in wildland areas.

More general information on the weed risks and ecology of non-native plants in Hawai'i is available from the Hawai'i Invasive Species Committee's <u>Weed Risk Assessment database</u>.

View more fact sheets at https://www.pacificfireexchange.org/weed-fire-risk-assessments

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