

Asteraceae (Sunflower Family)

Phenology: flowers and fruits from September through November.

Management Responsibility: NPS (Organ Pipe Cactus NM), Tohono O'odham Nation.

Similar Species: *P. ajoensis* superficially resembles *Pleurocoronis pluriseta* when not in flower, but the leaf blades of *Pleurocoronis* are much smaller. The only other *Perityle* in the Ajo Mountains—*P. emoryi*—is not perennial.

Notes: *P. ajoensis* is endemic to the rock faces of the Ajo Mountains. Associated species include *Pleurocoronis pluriseta*, *Crossosoma bigelovii*, and *Ericameria cuneata*.

References: Johnson et al, 1991. Phillips, A. M. et al, 1982d.

Perityle ajoensis



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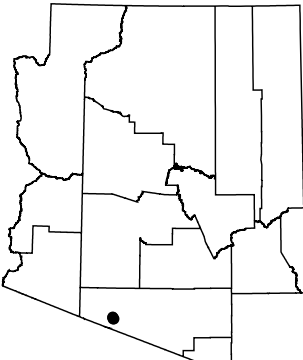


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Habitat: plants hang from vertical cliff or boulder faces, usually with north or west-facing aspects, in the Ajo Mountains, 2,600-4,800 ft (790-1465 m) elevation.



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Range: Ajo Mountains.