## The St Helena Cloud Forest Project

## Key achievements year 1



THE PEAKS NATIONAL PARK ST HELENA ISLAND. 1502



In this financial year work has been undertaken in 50% of remaining cloud forest fragments to clear invasive species and/or plant with endemics.



**10,882 plants** from 17 different Peaks' species were planted into wild restoration sites.





**42,773 plants** were propagated from Peaks species across both nurseries (target was 27,500 plants).



Visits from **eight international, expert partners** provided training for staff in EMD, SHRI, Connect St Helena and SHNT.



9 school sessions with 142 children held as part of the project in year 1.





**Over 1900** invertebrate species records were collected, of which 476 were endemic species records.



A new world class facility for the Micro Propagation of plants, particularly threatened fern species was set up on St Helena by St Helena Government's Environmental Management Division, supported by the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew.



7.5 full time equivalent posts were recruited to support the Cloud Forest Project in Year I, of which 6.5 posts were locally based St Helenians or Saints.



More than 100 responses to our baseline engagement survey were received in March 2022.



The Cloud Forest Project featured on Sky news on II February celebrating Women in Science Day, represented by EMD's Nursery Officer, Vanessa Thomas-Williams (MBE).

K Government