While plant discoveries continue to be made throughout Southern Arabia, one country has been essentially off limits to visitors for nearly two decades. This exciting and floristically important country, forming the Horn of Africa, is Somalia. Devastated by years of civil war and other internal problems, travel there is a risky venture for outside visitors. But to some the lure of Somalia’s extraordinary flora—one of the richest and most varied succulent floras of Africa—is irresistible, and a brave few make the effort to discover its plants firsthand, returning with new finds from the remote wilds of this succu-