

Supplementary Table S1. Geographical information for the sampled populations of *Nitraria tangutorum*.

Population(code)	Location (All in China)	Latitude (N°)	Longitude (E°)	Altitude (m)
TLMX	Talimuxiang, Sinkiang	41°7.171′	83°27.101′	871.07
SSST	Sanshisituan, Sinkiang	40°40.734′	87°26.840′	848.96
QKL	Qiongkule, Sinkiang	38°31.464′	86°7.586′	1079.44
QM	Qiemo, Sinkiang	38°13.974′	85°15.882′	1202
JLT	Jilanta, IMG	39°55.637′	105°40.678′	1035.7
JCHK	Jichakou, IMG	39°31.204′	105°35.870′	1063.34
BLG	Balagong, IMG	40°15.651′	107°2.023′	1068.14
DST	Dashetai, IMG	40°56.252′	108°58.737′	1024.4
WLERG	Wulanerige, IMG	36°50.125′	107.00193	1427
YG	Yingen, IMG	40°49.815′	105°11.239′	1211.38
JQ	Jiuquan,,Gansu	40°47.886′	96°7.069′	1339
WKQ	Weikengquan, Gansu	40°16.713′	99°49.117′	1138.32
AYQ	Ayouqi, IMG	39°15.065′	101°40.508′	1517.56
HEY	Huaeryuan, Gansu	38°54.833′	102°21.508′	1338.27
MQXX	Minqinxingxi, Gansu	38°53.584′	103°20.310′	2639
HZT	Haizitan, Gansu	37°26.137′	103°55.303′	1798.74
LJT	Luanjintan, Ningxia	41°42.156′	105°22.178	1427
WLJ	Wuliji, IMG	40°38.753′	107°8.196′	1252.23
BLQ	Buliqi, IMG	41°15.651′	107°2.023′	1683.62
DLH	Delingha, Qinghai	37°18.824′	97°23.030′	1373
LYX	Longyangxia, Qinghai	36° 7.952′	100°41.188′	1201

Supplementary Table S2. Characteristics of the primers and thermal programs for the five chloroplast DNA (cpDNA) fragments used in this study.

Region	Primer (5'→3')	Sequence	Sequence length(bp)	TM (°C)	Reference
<i>trnH-psbA</i>	<i>trnH</i> -F <i>psbA</i> -R	CGCGCATGGTGGATTACAAATC TGCATGGTTCCTTGGTAACTTC	680	60	[1]
<i>ndhC-trnV</i>	<i>ndhC</i> -F <i>trnV</i> -R	AGACCATTCCAATGCCCCCTTTCG CC GTTCGAGTCCGTATAGCCCTA	680	60	[2]
<i>psbE--petL</i>	<i>psbE</i> -F <i>petL</i> -R	AACAAAAGGATTCGCAAATAAAA G AGTTGTTGTTCTTGTTCCTTTAGT	680	60	[1]
<i>rpl32-trnL</i>	<i>rpl32</i> -F <i>trnL</i> -R	GCGTATTCGTAAAAATATTTGGAA TTCCTAAGAGCAGCGTGTCTACC	870	53	[1]
<i>rps4</i>	<i>rps4</i> -F <i>rps4</i> -R	ATGTCCCGTTATCGAGGACCT TACCGAGGGTTCGAATC	730	52	[1]

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Supplementary Table S3. Variable sites of the aligned sequences in 33 haplotypes.

Haplotype	Nucleotide variable positions																										
	<i>ndhC-trnV</i>			<i>trnH-psbA</i>										<i>psbE-petL</i>					<i>rps4</i>		<i>rpl32-trnL</i>						
	2	4	6	7	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	4
	9	6	0	2	8	5	5	5	5	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	4	6	7	7	7	7	9	0
	7	1	4	5	6	3	3	5	9	2	8	4	5	5	5	6	6	7	5	5	0	2	3	3	3	7	
				4	8	2	8	6	5	6	1	7	8	1	2	9	5	4	1	4	1	6	9	1			
H1	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	A	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H2	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	T	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	A	G	T	T	G	A	
H3	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H4	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	C	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H5	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	A	A	A	T	C	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H6	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	C	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H7	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	A	A	G	G	T	T	T	A	A	
H8	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	G	A	A	
H9	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	G	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	A	T	T	T	G	A	
H10	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	C	G	G	T	T	T	A	A	
H11	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	A	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H12	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	G	A	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	A	A	
H13	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	A	A	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H14	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H15	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	C	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H16	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H17	T	C	A	T	G	A	G	T	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H18	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	T	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H19	T	A	T	A	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	<u>G</u>	G	A	A	<u>T</u>	A	G	G	T	T	T	T	G	A	
H20	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	G	T	A	<u>G</u>	G	G	A	<u>T</u>	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H21	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	C	G	G	G	A	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H22	T	A	A	T	G	T	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	C	A	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H23	T	A	T	A	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H24	T	A	T	A	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	C	G	A	A	T	A	G	A	T	T	T	A	A	
H25	T	A	T	A	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	G	T	G	T	G	A	
H26	T	A	T	A	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	C	G	A	A	T	A	G	A	G	T	T	G	A	
H27	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	A	G	T	T	T	G	T	
H28	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	T	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	T	A	G	A	G	T	T	G	A	
H29	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H30	T	A	A	T	G	A	C	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	<u>T</u>	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	T	
H31	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	G	G	G	A	A	A	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	
H32	G	A	A	T	G	A	C	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	T	
H33	T	A	A	T	G	A	G	G	T	A	T	T	A	G	G	G	A	T	A	G	G	T	T	T	G	A	

Supplementary Table S4. Estimated results of relative contributions of the bioclimatic variables to the ecological niche of *Nitraria tangutorum*.

code	Bioclimatic variables	Percent contribution	Permutation importance
BIO19	Precipitation in Coldest Quarter	41.7	49.1
BIO11	Mean Temperature of Coldest Quarter	24.6	30.5
BIO18	Precipitation in Warmest Quarter	8.8	4.4
BIO9	Mean Temperature of Driest Quarter	5.8	3.8
BIO14	Precipitation in Driest Month	4.3	2.9
BIO4	Temperature Seasonality	3.1	2.4
BIO13	Precipitation in Wettest Month	2.9	1.7
BIO5	Max Temperature of Warmest Month	2.6	1.5
BIO8	Mean Temperature of Wettest Quarter	2.1	1.3
BIO2	Mean Diurnal Range	2.0	0.9
BIO3	Isothermality	1.9	1.1
BIO1	Annual Mean Temperature	0.2	0.4

Note: Significant contributions over 10% are indicated in bold text.

Supplementary Table S5 Twenty-four most variable regions in chloroplast genomes detected in this study.

Code	Region	name	Forward	Name	Reverse
1	<i>petB-petD</i>	<i>petB</i> -F	CAATCCACTTTGACTCGTTTT	<i>petD</i> -R	GGTTCACCAATCATTGATGGTTC
2	<i>clpP</i>	<i>clpP</i> -F	GCTTGGGCTTCCTTGCTGACAT	<i>clpP</i> -R	TCCTAATCAACCGACTTTATCGAG
3	<i>atpH-atpI</i>	<i>atpH</i> -F	AACAAAAGGATTTCGCAAATAAAAG	<i>atpI</i> -R	AGTTGTTGTTCTTGTTCCTTAGT
4	<i>trnH-psbA</i>	<i>TrnH</i> -F	CGCGCATGGTGGATTACAAAATC	<i>PsbA</i> -R	TGCATGGTTCCTTGGTAACTTC
5	<i>trnT-psbD</i>	<i>trnT</i> -F	GCCCTTTTAACTCAGTGGTAGAG	<i>psbD</i> -R	CCAAATAGGAACTGGCCAATC
6	<i>accD-psaI</i>	<i>accD</i> -F	GGTAAAAGAGTAATTGAACAAAC	<i>psaI</i> -R	GGAAATACTAAGCCCACTAAAGGCAC
7	<i>trnS2-</i>	<i>trnS2</i> -F	CGGTTTTCAAGACCGGAGCTATCAA	<i>trnG2</i> -R	CATAACCTTGAGGTCACGGGTTCAAAT
8	<i>atpH-atpI</i>	<i>atpH</i> -F	AACAAAAGGATTTCGCAAATAAAAG	<i>atpI</i> -R	AGTTGTTGTTCTTGTTCCTTAGT
9	<i>psbM-trnD</i>	<i>psbM</i> -F	TTTGACTGACTGTTTTTACGTA	<i>trnD</i> -R	CAGAGCACCGCCCTGTCAAG
10	<i>ndhC-trnV</i>	<i>ndhC</i> -F	AGACCATTCCAATGCCCTTTTCGCC	<i>trnV</i> -R	GTTTCGAGTCCGTATAGCCCTA
11	<i>ndhF</i>	<i>ndhF</i> -F	ACACCAACGCCATTTCGTAATGCCATC	<i>NdhF</i> -R	AAGATGAAATTCTTAATGATAGTTGG
12	<i>petA-psbJ</i>	<i>petA</i> -F	GGATTTGGTCAGGGAGATGC	<i>psbJ</i> -R	ATGGCCGATACTACTGGAAGG
13	<i>psbE--petL</i>	<i>psbE</i> -F	ATCTACTAAATTCATCGAGTTGTTC	<i>petL</i> -R	TATCTTGCTCAGACCAATAAATAGA
14	<i>ndhA</i>	<i>NdhA</i> -F	TCAACTATATCAACTGTACTTGAAC	<i>NdhA</i> -R	CGAGCTGCTGCTCAATCGAT
15	<i>rbcL-accD</i>	<i>rbcL</i> -F	TAGCTGCTGCTTGTGAGGTATGGA	<i>AccD</i> -R	AAATACTAGGCCCACTAAAGG
16	<i>rpl32-trnL</i>	<i>rpl32</i> -F	GCGTATTCGTAAAAATATTGGAA	<i>trnL</i> -R	TCCTAAGAGCAGCGTGTCTACC
17	<i>rpoB-trnC</i>	<i>rpoB</i> -F	ACAAAATCCTTCAAATTGTATCTGA	<i>trnC</i> -R	TTTGTTAATCAGGCGACACCCGG
18	<i>rps16-trnQ</i>	<i>rps16</i> -F	TTTATCGGATCATAAAAACCCACT	<i>trnQ</i> -R	TGGGGCGTGGCCAAGCGGT
19	<i>petN-psbM</i>	<i>petN</i> -F	ATGGATATAGTAAGTCTCGTTGG	<i>psbM</i> -R	ATGGAAGTAAATATTCTTGCAAT
20	<i>rps4</i>	<i>rps4</i> -F	ATGTCCCCTTATCGAGGACCT	<i>rps4</i> -R	TACCGAGGGTTCGAATC
21	<i>trnK</i>	<i>trnK</i> -F	GGGACTCGAACCCGGAACATA	<i>trnK</i> -R	AGTACTCGGCTTTTAAAGTCCG
22	<i>trnS^{GCU}-</i>	<i>trnS^{GCU}</i>	AACGGATTAGCAATCCGACGCTTTA	<i>trnG^{GCC}</i>	CITTTACCACTAAACTATACCCGC
23	<i>trnS^{UGA}-</i>	<i>trnS^{UGA}</i>	CGGTTTTCAAGACCGGAGCTATCAA	<i>trnG^{UCC}</i>	CATAACCTTGAGGTCACGGGTTCAAAT
24	<i>trnW-psaJ</i>	<i>trnW</i> -F	TCTACCGAACTGAACTAAGAGCGC	<i>psaJ</i> -R	CGATTAATCTCTATCAATAGACCTGC