

# *Brachypodium phoenicoides*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.7**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Spinescence: **not spinescent**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **17.06**

## Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.84**

Dispersal mode: **Local non-specific dispersal**

Dispersal distance class: **2**

## Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

## Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **native**

## Ecology

### Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Dry**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.3**

Temperature indicator value: **7.5**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **6.7**

Nutrient indicator value: **3.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.31**  
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.48**  
Disturbance severity: **0.65**  
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Mowing frequency: **0.17**  
Grazing pressure: **0.28**  
Soil disturbance: **0.16**

## **Habitat and sociology**

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [DA \(FES\) Festuco-Brometea](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [R32 Mediterranean short moist grassland of lowlands](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [R18 Perennial rocky calcareous grassland of subatlantic-submediterranean Europe](#), [R31 Mediterranean tall humid inland grassland](#), [R32 Mediterranean short moist grassland of lowlands](#), [S53 Spartium junceum scrub](#), [S61 Western basiphilous garrigue](#), [T1A Mediterranean thermophilous deciduous forest](#), [T3A Mediterranean lowland to submontane Pinus forest](#)

### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Scrub, Forest, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**