Cenchrus spinifex

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.21**
Life span: **Annual**
Life form: **Therophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **June-September**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Dispersal mode: **Local non-specific dispersal, Anthropochory**
Dispersal distance class: **1, 7**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**
Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**
Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **Neophyte**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Dry**
Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**
Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**
Temperature indicator value: **8.5**
Moisture indicator value: **1.5**
Reaction indicator value: **8**
Nutrient indicator value: **1.5**
Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.25**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **2.04**
Disturbance severity: **0.59**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.55**
Mowing frequency: **0.21**

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Grazing pressure: **0.14**
Soil disturbance: **0.6**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: **JC (CAK) *Cakiletea maritimae***

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**

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