

# *Centaurea nervosa*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.25**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **20.91**

## Flower

Flowering period: **June-August**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **3.52**

Dispersal mode: **Myrmecochory**

Dispersal distance class: **3**

## 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: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **2.7**

Moisture indicator value: **3.5**

Reaction indicator value: **4.5**

Nutrient indicator value: **3.5**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.09**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.37**

Disturbance severity: **0.37**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.34**

Mowing frequency: **0.16**

Grazing pressure: **0.26**

Soil disturbance: **0.11**

## **Habitat and sociology**

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CT \(TR1\) \*Juncetea trifidi\*](#)

### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Scrub**