

Cyperus capitatus

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.3**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte, Geophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-September**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.76**

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: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Slightly saline or brackish**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**

Temperature indicator value: **9.7**

Moisture indicator value: **3.7**

Reaction indicator value: **6.7**

Nutrient indicator value: **4.3**

Salinity indicator value: **4.3**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.66**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.95**

Disturbance severity: **0.43**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.42**

Mowing frequency: **0.01**

Grazing pressure: **0.13**

Soil disturbance: **0.66**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [**JD \(AMM\) *Ammophiletea arundinaceae***](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [**N14 Mediterranean, Macaronesian and Black Sea shifting coastal dune**](#), [**N16 Mediterranean and Macaronesian coastal dune grassland \(grey dune\)**](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [**N12 Mediterranean and Black Sea sand beach**](#), [**N14 Mediterranean, Macaronesian and Black Sea shifting coastal dune**](#), [**N16 Mediterranean and Macaronesian coastal dune grassland \(grey dune\)**](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle**