

# *Genista germanica*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.41**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Chamaephyte, Dwarf shrub**

## Leaf

Leaf type (woody plants only): **Broad deciduous or semi-deciduous**

Leaf phenology (woody plants only): **Winter deciduous**

## Flower

Flowering period: **April-June**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.14**

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

Dispersal distance class: **2**

## Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **symbiosis with rhizobia**

## Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **Native**

## Ecology

### Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Dry**

Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **6.7**

Temperature indicator value: **5.2**

Moisture indicator value: **4.1**

Nutrient indicator value: **2.4**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.18**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.4**

Disturbance severity: **0.62**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.21**

Mowing frequency: **0.1**

Grazing pressure: **0.23**

Soil disturbance: **0.12**

## Habitat and sociology

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CH \(ULI\) \*Calluno-Ulicetea\*](#)

### Broad habitat

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

## Distribution

Continentality: **5**

Continentality amplitude: **3**