

Peganum harmala

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.4**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Chamaephyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **5.97**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-June**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.21**

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 reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.8**

Reaction indicator value: **7**

Nutrient indicator value: **7**

Salinity indicator value: **6**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **2.13**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **2.07**

Disturbance severity: **0.5**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.5**

Mowing frequency: **0.3**

Grazing pressure: **0.34**

Soil disturbance: **0.26**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [EA \(LER\) *Artemisietea lerchianae*](#), [FK \(PEG\) *Pegano harmalae-Salsolitea vermiculatae*](#), [KH \(DRY\) *Drypidetea spinosae*](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [S68 Semi-desert sand dune with sparse scrub](#)

Broad habitat

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