

Scorpiurus muricatus

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.28**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

Spinescence: **not spinescent**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **15.07**

Flower

Flowering period: **March-May**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **9.9**

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

Dispersal distance class: **1**

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**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Slightly saline or brackish**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.7**

Temperature indicator value: **8.7**

Moisture indicator value: **3**

Reaction indicator value: **7.3**

Salinity indicator value: **0.5**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.04**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.87**

Disturbance severity: **0.78**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.66**

Mowing frequency: **0.37**

Grazing pressure: **0.3**

Soil disturbance: **0.33**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [FI \(TUB\) *Helianthemetea guttati*](#), [QC \(CHE\) *Chenopodietea*](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [S63 Eastern garrigue](#), [S72 Eastern Mediterranean spiny heath \(phrygana\)](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [R1F Mediterranean annual-rich dry grassland](#), [S63 Eastern garrigue](#), [S72 Eastern Mediterranean spiny heath \(phrygana\)](#)

Broad habitat

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