

Centaurea arenaria aggr.

Habitus and growth type

Life span: **Biennial or short-lived, Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.12**

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: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Dystrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**

Temperature indicator value: **8**

Moisture indicator value: **1**

Reaction indicator value: **7**

Nutrient indicator value: **1**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.67**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.94**

Disturbance severity: **0.45**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.44**

Mowing frequency: **0.29**

Grazing pressure: **0.19**

Soil disturbance: **0.43**

Habitat and sociology

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [N17 Black Sea coastal dune grassland \(grey dune\)](#), [R11 Pannonian and Pontic sandy steppe](#), [S68 Semi-desert sand dune with sparse scrub](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [N17 Black Sea coastal dune grassland \(grey dune\)](#), [R11 Pannonian and Pontic sandy steppe](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle, Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Semi-desert, Forest**