

# *Arbutus unedo*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **8.67**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Phanerophyte, Shrub**

Spinescence: **not spinescent**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **7.35**

## Flower

Flowering period: **August-November**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **4.02**

Dispersal mode: **Endozoochory**

Dispersal distance class: **6**

## 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: **Acidic**

Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.3**

Temperature indicator value: **9**

Moisture indicator value: **3.6**

Reaction indicator value: **5.2**

Nutrient indicator value: **2**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **0.12**  
 Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.31**  
 Disturbance severity: **0.69**  
 Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.17**  
 Mowing frequency: **0**  
 Grazing pressure: **0.26**  
 Soil disturbance: **0.09**

## Habitat and sociology

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [FA \(QUI\) \*Quercetea ilicis\*](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [S51 Mediterranean maquis and arborescent matorral](#), [T1A Mediterranean thermophilous deciduous forest](#), [T21 Mediterranean evergreen Quercus forest](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [N1B Mediterranean and Black Sea coastal dune scrub](#), [S51 Mediterranean maquis and arborescent matorral](#), [S62 Western acidophilous garrigue](#), [T1A Mediterranean thermophilous deciduous forest](#), [T21 Mediterranean evergreen Quercus forest](#), [T22 Mainland laurophyllous forest](#), [T29 Broadleaved evergreen plantation of non site-native trees](#), [T3A Mediterranean lowland to submontane Pinus forest](#)

### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Scrub, Forest**