

Cirsium echinatum

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.27**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Spinescence: **spinescent**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **4.53**

Flower

Flowering period: **May-August**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Dispersal mode: **Anemochory**

Dispersal distance class: **5**

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: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.5**

Temperature indicator value: **8.5**

Moisture indicator value: **2.5**

Reaction indicator value: **6**

Nutrient indicator value: **6.5**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [QF \(ART\) Artemisietea vulgaris](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [S73 Western Mediterranean mountain hedgehog-heath](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Scrub, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree), Synanthropic**