

Eryngium spinalba

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.26**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **June-August**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **5.35**

Dispersal mode: **Epizoochory**

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: **Mesic**

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

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **4**

Moisture indicator value: **5**

Reaction indicator value: **5**

Nutrient indicator value: **4**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.08**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.72**

Disturbance severity: **0.42**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.37**

Mowing frequency: **0.21**

Grazing pressure: **0.3**

Soil disturbance: **0.16**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [**FP \(ONO\) Festuco hystricis-Ononidetea striatae**](#)

Broad habitat

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