

# *Mentha arvensis*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.35**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte, Geophyte**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **41.44**

## Flower

Flowering period: **May-September**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **0.24**

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

Dispersal distance class: **2, 7**

## 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: **Wet**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.1**

Moisture indicator value: **7.5**

Reaction indicator value: **5.9**

Salinity indicator value: **0.1**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.35**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.86**

Disturbance severity: **0.62**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.59**

Mowing frequency: **0.51**

Grazing pressure: **0.19**

Soil disturbance: **0.39**

## Habitat and sociology

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CM \(MOL\) \*Molinio-Arrhenatheretea\*](#),  
[QA \(PAR\) \*Papaveretea rhoeadis\*](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [V11 Intensive unmixed crops](#), [V12 Mixed crops of market gardens and horticulture](#), [V13 Arable land with unmixed crops grown by low-intensity agricultural methods](#)

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### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Aquatic, Wetland, Mire, Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Synanthropic**

## Distribution

Continentality amplitude: **8**