

Nigella damascena

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.31**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **30.91**

Flower

Flowering period: **April-July**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **2.1**

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: **Dry**

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

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.9**

Moisture indicator value: **4**

Reaction indicator value: **6.3**

Nutrient indicator value: **5**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.01**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.8**

Disturbance severity: **0.79**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.68**

Mowing frequency: **0.38**

Grazing pressure: **0.29**

Soil disturbance: **0.38**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [QC \(CHE\) *Chenopodietea*](#)

Broad habitat

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