

# Corsica - The Scented Isle

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Restonica Valley



Corsican Crocus *Crocus corsicus*



Three-cornered Leek *Allium triquetrum*



Pine Processionary Moth Caterpillars

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## Day 1

Sunday 5th May

After an early flight from Gatwick, we arrived in Bastia in warm sunshine. After collecting the vehicles we headed for Bastia to find a shop to buy lunch which was conveniently located by a cafe for a much deserved drink. Our next stop was on the north-east side of Etang de Biguglia where 5 Audouin's Gulls (a rare bird but on the increase) and 2 Sandwich Terns were perched on poles in the water. A short walk produced Great Reed Warbler, Sardinian Warbler, a couple of flocks of Bee-eaters and a constant passage of hirundines heading north. By the path Cistus abounded including *Cistus greticus* and *Cistus salvifolius* with its lovely aroma. Everywhere were Narrow-leaved Lupins *Lupinus angustifolius* and the scent of French Lavender *Lavendula stoechas*. Lunch was taken in the car park with views out to sea and a Scopoli's Shearwater drifted by followed by a small flock of the darker under wing Balearic Shearwaters moving with more determination.

The reed beds made any other views of the Etang impossible but we stopped besides la Canonica Church, south of the Etang, for views of Kites, Honey Buzzard, Montague's Harrier, Short-toed Eagle and plenty of Italian Sparrows. We then headed down the coast road with occurring showers before heading inland along the lower reaches of the le Tavignano Gorge to reach our hotel by the banks of the le Vecchio River to the welcoming call of a Firecrest.

## Day 2

Monday 6th May

An early-morning walk produced Cirl Bunting, glimpses of Sub-alpine Warbler plus a Dipper by the bridge. The roadside produced a range of orchids including *Ophrys incubacea* and *Orchis anthropophora*. After breakfast we shopped in Venaco and drove a short distance south to the Verghello Valley, where Gustav Eiffel's dramatic railway bridge and the elegant modern road bridge spans the gorge. We encountered the renowned maquis vegetation's delightful smells to be found making this a Scented Isle. Amongst the memorable plants were Prickly Juniper *Juniperus oxycedrus* subsp. *Macrocarpa* and the smelly *Helichrysum italicum* from the Daisy family.

We walked slowly up the road with Sage-leaved Cistus *Cistus salvifolius*, Tree Heather *Erica arborea*, and *Cytinus hypocistus*. There were lots of Corsican Wall Browns amongst the vegetation plus Small Copper, Holly Blue, Common Blue and Green-underside Blue butterflies. We continued our drive up the road stopping at a ford where the endemic *Stachys glutinosa* was found. At the top of the road by the fire truck we stopped for a walk into the pine forest with its carpet of *Cyclamen repandum* before having lunch amongst the rows of the Pine Processionary Moth caterpillars.

Our next stop was the Col de Vizzavona where thick fog (cloud) enveloped us with a visibility of about 5 metres and with rain falling we made an immediate retreat to the cafe at Refuge de la Gare de Vizzavona where the GR20 Trail takes a welcome break for mountaineers. This is the highest station of the railway line that connects Bastia with Ajaccio. Our final stop was back towards the coast at the Pont Genoio on the N200. A pair of Crag Martins flew around the bridge and a Grey Wagtail hopped around the bank before flying up river. A Mallow Skipper was caught for all to see.

## Day 3

Tuesday 7th May

It was a sunny morning as we headed to Corte, stopping at the old bridge for views of the citadel. These were so different from the views we had during our walk. Our walk followed the trail up Tavignano Valley. The localised endemic, Corsican Lavender Cotton, *Santolina corsica* grows here with Rosemary and Cistus on the rock formations. Other endemics were Corsican Woundwort *Stachys Corsica*, *Teucrium marum* with its pink flower and *Dracunculus muscivorus*. The south-facing scrub is a regular breeding site for the resident Marmora's Warbler and we saw several however on our return journey one popped up on a bush 15 metres from us for excellent views. We also saw Cirl Bunting, a Red-backed Shrike and heard Wryneck and Cuckoo calling. A Blue Rock Thrush was seen and Corsican Finches flew over our heads. There were plenty of butterflies including the Corsican Heath and Corsican Mottled White. Swallowtails never kept still so we unable to positively ID any as the Corsican species and subsequently listed them all as common.

Lunch was held at a shrine where a party of young school children had taken up residence but eventually left us to enjoy the peace and warmth of the valley before the clouds started to come across. Back at Corte some of us took a drink by the statue of Pascal Paoli, the Corsican General of the nation before he fled to England in 1769 following defeat by the French; bullet holes still pepper the houses.

## Day 4

Wednesday 8th May

A final early morning walk from our hotel by the river provided a Great Spotted Woodpecker and the Dipper perched on the bank by the bridge. It looked as though we were in for a sunny morning and as this was our final day near Venaco we set off for the Restonica Valley after our usual shopping stop. We drove up the valley to the end of the road and a car park by a cafe. The sides of the valley were dotted with snow fields and the some of the path had tinkling streams flowing down it. Where the snow had retreated there were masses of *Crocus corsicus* in bloom. We walked upwards in cool temperatures by low-growing Corsican Alder, *Alnus alnobetula* subsp. *suaveolens* that dominates the landscape and negotiated the chains and ladders to reach the Lac de Melu at 1711 metres. Besides the path Rock Winter-cress *Barbarea eupicola* and Yellow Star-of-Bethlehem *Gagea soleirolii* grew. A lot of the lake was covered in ice and a Water Pipit was easily seen on it. Here we had lunch and were soon joined by 20 plus Alpine Choughs that liked cheese out of the hand but not that keen on salami!

Further progress was not possible due to snow and ice lining the sides. As we headed down the cloud moved in and by the time we had reached the cafe for a well deserved drink the lake was masked by cloud.

## Day 5

Thursday 9th May

The day of transfer was our best day weather wise with a warm sunny day. Our first stop was by the entrance to the Scala di Santa Regina where a Blue Rock Thrush was briefly seen. Our next stop was by a bridge in the gorge proper where a Dipper flew along the main river, butterflies floated by and the endemic thrift *Armeria leucocephala* was found. We continued up the valley all the way to the Col de Vergio which at 1477 metres is the highest pass in Corsica. Here we walked up the track to the top of the ski lifts that we had passed earlier. Woodlark, Tree Pipit and Corsican Finch put in appearances amongst the flattened Juniper and Broom. Unfortunately the only large bird was a Raven. We had lunch at the Col sheltered by a building from the wind.

Our next stop was by a large expanse of granite tops in the Forêt d'Aitone dominated by Corsican Pine *Pinus nigra* subsp. *laricio*. Besides the common Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard that we had seen every day we eventually found some very fast moving Bedriaga's Rock Lizards. On the other side of the valley the rock on the mountains looked green in the shade. We then followed part of the Sittelle Trail though no Corsican Nuthatches appeared. Instead we found Corsican Mint *Mentha requinii*, Willow-leaved Gentian *Gentiana asclepiada* and yellow Wood Violet *Viola biflora* along the trail. Our final stop was our hotel in Evisa at 850 metres.

## Day 6

Friday 10th May

The day started with a stroll down through Evisa to the start of the old mule trail that led down into the depths of the Spelunca Gorge. The sky was overcast as we headed down the steep, zig-zag path but it was not too long before we found our first Snowflake *Lecojum lonifolium*. After we found our first, finding others became easier especially as so many were mixed with the Three-cornered Leek *Allium triquetrum*. At a view point a pair of Firecrests came to visit us with their bright white stripe above the eye easily seen. There was also a lot of Corsican Saxafrage *Saxifrage granulate* subsp. *corsica* and even a *Aristolochia tyrbena* with its brown flower.

For most of the walk the rain fell but it had finished just in time for an early lunch at the old Genoese Zaglia Bridge built in 1797. A Dipper flew under the bridge as lunch was prepared. The walk then followed the river to the road bridge where the sun came out. Whilst relaxing at the bridge with other tourists taking photographs of the goats a flock of Alpine Swifts passed overhead up high. Philip and Andrew headed back to Evisa to pick up the other vehicle and ferry someone back to the hotel. Others continued along the Tra Mare e Monti Nord Trail to the next old bridge and then up the road to Ota for a well deserved drink in a cafe overlooking the valley. Back at the hotel we enjoyed the meal of wild boar casserole.

## Day 7

Saturday 11th May

Our early morning walk produced a very inquisitive Corsican Nuthatch in the Chestnut trees plus three Hoopoes in a tree by the hotel. After breakfast, we drove a short distance up into the Forêt d'Aitone to visit the Cascades by the ruins of a chestnut mill. We could not cross the river to the mill as the water level was too high. We had good views of Treecreeper and heard a Goldcrest. A notable plant was the pendulous Leek *Allium pendulinum*.

We then drove to Col de Sevi and a walk up the road built to access transmitter towers. On arrival at the col, pigs trotted in when they heard the car doors close but soon disappeared when they realised that there was no food. The walk produced great delight as a pair of Dung Beetles fought for a juicy ball and the winner tried to push it uphill.

We then headed down to the coast to the mouth of the Liamone River south of Sagone. We parked by a cafe where a refreshing drink in the sun was enjoyed before a short walk by the lagoon followed by lunch. Afterwards we went for a walk along the dunes. A lone Whimbrel was on the beach with a large flock of Yellow-legged Gulls behind it. A pair of Sanderlings was standing still by the lagoon. On the dunes, once we all had good views of a Tawny Pipit, up to 8 in a flock flew around us. There was also a Little Ringed Plover resting in the fenced off field. A pair of Italian Wall Lizards darted amongst the plants. In the dunes there was a range of Sea Stocks including *Maresia nana*, *Matthiola sinuate* and *Matthiola tricuspidata* as well as Yellow Horned Poppy *Glaucium flavum*. We finished the day on the beach, in which some paddled their feet (legs!) in the sea with its tremendous rollers, along with an ice cream.

Our final stop was at the local rubbish dump. All good bird tours have at least one not so salubrious site to visit. The skies above were dominated by Ravens with some Red Kites (a bird we had seen every day of the tour along with five others). A lone Black Kite allowed us all to make the comparison between the two Kite species we had previously seen.

## Day 8

Sunday 12th May

An early start of 0530 hours was required for our drive back to Bastia Airport. As we drove east we could see the sun come up and en route added Grey Heron, Rabbit and Wild Boar to our list of fauna. We arrived in good time at the airport to allow us to have a drink. We left 4 of the party behind to enjoy an additional week. Our week was over and we had enjoyed some dramatic scenery plus interesting birds, butterflies, plants and of course the comical dung beetles.

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## Species Lists

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; h = heard only)

|    | Common name                | Scientific name                      | May |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
|----|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|---|
|    |                            |                                      | 5   | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |   |
| 1  | Common Quail               | <i>Coturnix coturnix</i>             |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  | ✓ |
| 2  | Scopoli's Shearwater       | <i>Calonectris diomedea diomedea</i> | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 3  | Balearic Shearwater        | <i>Puffinus mauretanicus</i>         | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 4  | Great Crested Grebe        | <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>            | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 5  | Grey Heron                 | <i>Ardea cinerea</i>                 |     |   |   |   |   |    |    |    | ✓ |
| 6  | Great Cormorant            | <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>           |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 7  | European Honey Buzzard     | <i>Pernis apivorus</i>               | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 8  | Red Kite                   | <i>Milvus milvus</i>                 | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  | ✓  |   |
| 9  | Black Kite                 | <i>Milvus migrans</i>                | ✓   | ✓ |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 10 | Western Marsh Harrier      | <i>Circus aeruginosus</i>            | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 11 | Montagu's Harrier          | <i>Circus pygargus</i>               | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 12 | Eurasian Sparrowhawk       | <i>Accipiter nisus</i>               |     |   |   |   |   | ✓  |    |    |   |
| 13 | Common Buzzard             | <i>Buteo buteo</i>                   |     | ✓ |   | ✓ |   |    |    |    |   |
| 14 | Short-toed Eagle           | <i>Circaetus gallicus</i>            | ✓   |   | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 15 | Common Kestrel             | <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>             | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |    |    |    |   |
| 16 | Peregrine Falcon           | <i>Falco peregrinus</i>              |     |   | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 17 | Eurasian Coot              | <i>Fulica atra</i>                   | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 18 | Little Ringed Plover       | <i>Charadrius dubius</i>             |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 19 | Whimbrel                   | <i>Numenius phaeopus</i>             |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 20 | Common Sandpiper           | <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>            | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 21 | Sanderling                 | <i>Calidris alba</i>                 |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 22 | Dunlin                     | <i>Calidris alpina</i>               |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | h  |   |
| 23 | Audouin's Gull             | <i>Ichthyaeetus audouinii</i>        | 5   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 24 | Yellow-legged Gull         | <i>Larus michahellis</i>             | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 25 | Sandwich tern              | <i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>           | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 26 | Common Pigeon/Feral Pigeon | <i>Columba livia</i>                 |     | ✓ |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 27 | Common Wood Pigeon         | <i>Columba palumbus</i>              | ✓   |   | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 28 | European Turtle Dove       | <i>Streptopelia turtur</i>           | ✓   | ✓ |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 29 | Eurasian Collared Dove     | <i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>         | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 30 | Common Cuckoo              | <i>Cuculus canorus</i>               |     | h | ✓ | h | h | h  | h  |    |   |
| 31 | Eurasian Scops Owl         | <i>Otus scops</i>                    |     | h |   |   | h | h  |    |    |   |
| 32 | Alpine Swift               | <i>Tachymarptis melba</i>            |     |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 33 | Common Swift               | <i>Apus apus</i>                     | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  | ✓  |   |
| 34 | European Bee-Eater         | <i>Merops apiaster</i>               | ✓   | ✓ |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 35 | Eurasian Hoopoe            | <i>Upupa epops</i>                   | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    | ✓  |   |
| 36 | Eurasian Wryneck           | <i>Jynx torquilla</i>                |     |   | h |   |   |    |    |    |   |
| 37 | Great Spotted Woodpecker   | <i>Dendrocopos major</i>             |     | h |   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |   |
| 38 | Red-backed Shrike          | <i>Lanius collurio</i>               |     |   | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |   |

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| 39 | Eurasian Jay             | <i>Garrulus glandarius</i>        |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 40 | Alpine Chough            | <i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>       |     |   |   | 20+ |   |    |    |    |  |
| 41 | Hooded Crow              | <i>Corvus cornix</i>              | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 42 | Northern Raven           | <i>Corvus corax</i>               |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  |    |    |  |
| 43 | Carrion Crow             | <i>Corvus corone</i>              |     |   |   | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 44 | Coal Tit                 | <i>Periparus ater</i>             |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 45 | Great Tit                | <i>Parus major</i>                |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 46 | Eurasian Blue Tit        | <i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>        |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 47 | Woodlark                 | <i>Lullula arborea</i>            |     |   |   |     | ✓ |    |    |    |  |
| 48 | Barn Swallow             | <i>Hirundo rustica</i>            | ✓   | ✓ |   |     |   |    |    | ✓  |  |
| 49 | Eurasian Crag Martin     | <i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>     |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   |   |    |    |    |  |
| 50 | Common House Martin      | <i>Delichon urbicum</i>           | ✓   |   |   |     | ✓ | ✓  |    |    |  |
| 51 | Cetti's Warbler          | <i>Cettia cetti</i>               | h   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 52 | Wood Warbler             | <i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>    | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 53 | Sedge Warbler            | <i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i> | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 54 | Eurasian Reed Warbler    | <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>    | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 55 | Zitting Cisticola        | <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>         | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    | h  |  |
| 56 | Eurasian Blackcap        | <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>         |     | h | h | ✓   | h | h  | ✓  |    |  |
| 57 | Marmora's Warbler        | <i>Sylvia sarda</i>               |     |   | 6 |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 58 | Subalpine Warbler        | <i>Sylvia cantillans</i>          |     | ✓ | h | ✓   | h |    |    |    |  |
| 59 | Sardinian Warbler        | <i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>       | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 60 | Common Firecrest         | <i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>        | ✓   | h | ✓ | ✓   | h | ✓  |    |    |  |
| 61 | Goldcrest                | <i>Regulus regulus</i>            |     |   |   |     |   |    |    | ✓  |  |
| 62 | Eurasian Wren            | <i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>    |     |   | h | ✓   | ✓ | h  | h  |    |  |
| 63 | Corsican Nuthatch        | <i>Sitta whiteheadi</i>           |     |   |   |     |   |    |    | ✓  |  |
| 64 | Eurasian Treecreeper     | <i>Certhia familiaris</i>         |     |   |   |     |   |    |    | ✓  |  |
| 65 | Spotless Starling        | <i>Sturnus unicolor</i>           | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ |    |    |    |  |
| 66 | Common Blackbird         | <i>Turdus merula</i>              | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   |   | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 67 | Mistle Thrush            | <i>Turdus viscivorus</i>          |     | ✓ |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 68 | European Robin           | <i>Erithacus rubecula</i>         |     | h |   | ✓   | h | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 69 | Common Nightingale       | <i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>      | h   |   |   |     |   |    |    | h  |  |
| 70 | Northern Wheatear        | <i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>          |     |   |   | ✓   |   |    |    |    |  |
| 71 | Blue Rock Thrush         | <i>Monticola solitarius</i>       |     |   | ✓ |     | ✓ |    | ✓  |    |  |
| 72 | Spotted Flycatcher       | <i>Muscicapa striata</i>          |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 73 | European Pied Flycatcher | <i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>         |     |   |   |     | ✓ |    |    |    |  |
| 74 | White-throated Dipper    | <i>Cinclus cinclus</i>            |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  |    |    |  |
| 75 | House Sparrow            | <i>Passer domesticus</i>          | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 76 | Eurasian Tree Sparrow    | <i>Passer montanus</i>            | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 77 | Italian Sparrow          | <i>Passer italiae</i>             | ✓   |   |   |     |   |    |    |    |  |
| 78 | Grey Wagtail             | <i>Motacilla cinerea</i>          | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |  |
| 79 | Tawny Pipit              | <i>Anthus campestris</i>          |     |   |   |     |   |    |    | 8  |  |

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| 80 | Tree Pipit          | <i>Anthus trivialis</i>     |     |   |   |   | ✓ |    |    |    |
| 81 | Water Pipit         | <i>Anthus spinoletta</i>    |     |   |   | ✓ |   |    |    |    |
| 82 | Common Chaffinch    | <i>Fringilla coelebs</i>    | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |
| 83 | European Serin      | <i>Serinus serinus</i>      | ✓   |   | ✓ |   |   |    | ✓  |    |
| 84 | European Greenfinch | <i>Carduelis chloris</i>    |     | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |
| 85 | European Goldfinch  | <i>Carduelis carduelis</i>  | ✓   | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |
| 86 | Corsican Finch      | <i>Carduelis corsicana</i>  |     |   | 7 |   | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |
| 87 | Common Linnet       | <i>Carduelis cannabina</i>  |     |   | ✓ |   |   |    |    |    |
| 88 | Reed Bunting        | <i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i> | ✓   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |
| 89 | Corn Bunting        | <i>Emberiza calandra</i>    |     |   |   |   |   |    | ✓  |    |
| 90 | Cirl Bunting        | <i>Emberiza cirlus</i>      |     | h | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓  | ✓  |    |

## Mammals

Wild Boar, *Sus scrofa*

Hedgehog, *Erinaceus europaeus*

Rabbit, *Oryctolagus cuniculus*

Bat sp.,

## Reptiles

Bedriaga's Rock Lizard, *Archaeolacerta bedriagae*

Italian Wall Lizard, *Podarcis sicula*

Common Tree frog, *Hyla arborea sarda*

Western Whip Snake, *Hierophis viridiflavus*

Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard, *Podarchis tiliguerta*

Moorish Gecko, *Tarentola mauritanica*

Italian Pool Frog, *Rana bergeri*

## Butterflies

Scarce Swallowtail, *Iphiclides podalirius*

Wood White, *Leptidea sinapis*

Small White, *Artogeia rapae*

Orange Tip, *Anthocharis cardamines*

Brimstone, *Gonepteryx rhamni*

Small Copper, *Lycaena phlaeas*

Green-underside Blue, *Glaucopsyche alexis*

Brown Argus, *Aricia agestis*

Painted Lady, *Vanessa cardui*

Southern Speckled Wood, *Pararge aegeria aegeria*

Corsican Heath, *Coenonympha corinna*

Mallow Skipper, *Carcharodus alceae*

Swallowtail, *Papilio machaon*

Large White, *Pieris brassicae*

Green-veined White, *Pieris napi*

Clouded Yellow, *Colias crocea*

Green Hairstreak, *Callophrys rubi*

Holly Blue, *Celastrina argeolus*

Common Blue, *Polyommatus icarus*

Red Admiral, *Vanessa atalanta*

Queen of Spain Fritillary, *Issoria lathonia*

Corsican Wall Brown, *Lasiommata megera f. paramegera*

Meadow Brown, *Maniola jurtina*

## Moths

Giant Peacock Moth, *Saturnia pyri*

Pine Processionary Moth Caterpillar, *Thaumetopoea pityocampa*

Hummingbird Hawk Moth, *Macroglossum stellatarum*

## Other Invertebrates

Egyptian Locust, *Anacridium aegyptium*

Seed Bug, *Lygaeus sp*

Shield Bug, *Eurydema sp*

Squash Bug, *Coreus sp*



Hornet, *Vespa crabro*

Devil's Coach-horse, *Staphylinus olens*

2 Spot Ladybird, *Adalia 2-punctata*

Oil Beetle, *Meloe sp*

Carpenter Bee, *Xylocopa violacea*

Dung Beetle, *Scarabaeus laticollis*

14 Spot Ladybird, *Propylea 14-punctata*

Wolf Spider, *Lycosidae sp*

## Plants

### Scientific name

### Common name

#### PTERIDOPHYTES

#### FERNS & ALLIES

##### **Selaginellaceae**

*Selaginella denticulata*

##### **Lesser Clubmoss Family**

Toothed Clubmoss

##### **Adiantaceae**

*Adiantum capillus-veneris*

##### **Maidenhair Ferns**

Maidenhair Fern

##### **Aspleniaceae**

*Asplenium adiantum-nigrum*

*Asplenium ruta-muraria*

*Asplenium trichomanes*

*Ceterach officinarum*

##### **Spleenwort Family**

Black Spleenwort

Wall Rue

Maidenhair Spleenwort

Rustyback

##### **Blechnaceae**

*Blechnum spicant*

##### **Hard-fern Family**

Hard-fern

##### **Dennstaedtiaceae**

*Pteridium aquilinum*

##### **Bracken Family**

Bracken

##### **Dryopteridaceae**

*Dryopteris filix-mas*

*Polystichum aculeatum*

*Polystichum setiferum*

##### **Buckler-fern Family**

Male-fern

Hard Shield-fern

Soft Shield-fern

##### **Osmundaceae**

*Osmunda regalis*

##### **Royal Ferns**

Royal Fern

##### **Polypodiaceae**

*Polypodium vulgare*

##### **Polypody Family**

Common Polypody

##### **Woodsiaceae**

*Cystopteris fragilis*

##### **Lady-fern Family**

Brittle Bladder-fern

#### PINOPSIDA

#### CONIFERS

##### **Cupressaceae**

*Cupressus sempervirens*

*Juniperus communis subsp. nana*

*Juniperus oxycedrus subsp. macrocarpa*

*Juniperus oxycedrus subsp. oxycedrus*

*Juniperus phoenicia*

##### **Cypress Family**

Italian Cypress

Juniper

Prickly Juniper

Prickly Juniper

Phoenician Juniper

##### **Pinaceae**

*Abies alba*

*Larix decidua*

##### **Pine Family**

European Silver Fir

European Larch

**Scientific name**

*Picea abies*  
*Pinus halepensis*  
*Pinus nigra* subsp. *laricio*  
*Pinus pinaster*

**Common name**

Norway Spruce  
 Aleppo Pine  
 Corsican Pine  
 Maritime Pine

**MAGNOLIOPSIDA****FLOWERING PLANTS****Magnoliidae****Aceraceae**

*Acer monspessulanum*  
*Acer pseudoplatanus*

**Maple Family**

Montpelier Maple  
 Sycamore

**Aizoaceae**

*Carpobrotus edulis*  
*Lampranthus roseus*

**Dewplant Family**

Yellow Hottentot Fig  
 Dew Plant

**Anacardiaceae**

*Pistacia lentiscus*  
*Pistacia terebinthus*

**Sumach Family**

Mastic Tree  
 Turpentine Bush

**Apiaceae**

*Bunium alpinum* subsp. *corydaliun*  
*Crithmum maritimum*  
*Daucus carota*  
*Daucus muricatus*  
*Eryngium campestre*  
*Eryngium maritimum*  
*Ferula communis*  
*Foeniculum vulgare*  
*Oenanthe crocata*  
*Sanicula europaea*  
*Scandix pecten-veneris*  
*Smyrniun olusatrum*

**Carrot Family**

-  
 Rock Samphire  
 Wild Carrot  
 a Carrot  
 Field Eryngo  
 Sea Holly  
 Giant Fennel  
 Fennel  
 Hemlock Water-dropwort  
 Sanicle  
 Shepherds Needle  
 Alexanders

**Aquifoliaceae**

*Ilex aquifolium*

**Holly Family**

Holly

**Araliaceae**

*Hedera helix*

**Ivy Family**

Ivy

**Aristolochiaceae**

*Aristolochis tyrrhena* \*

**Birthwort Family****Asteraceae**

*Achillea ligustica*  
*Anthemis arvensis*  
*Anthemis maritimus*  
*Bellis sylvestris*  
*Calendula arvensis*  
*Carduus pycnocephalus*  
*Carduus tenuiflorus*  
*Carlina corymbosa*

**Daisy Family**

-  
 Corn Chamomile  
 Sea Chamomile  
 Southern Daisy  
 Field Marigold  
 Plymouth Thistle  
 Seaside or Slender Thistle  
 a Carline Thistle

| Scientific name                            | Common name              |
|--|--------------------------|
| <i>Centaurea sphaerocephala</i>            | a Knapweed               |
| <i>Cichorium intybus</i>                   | Chicory                  |
| <i>Crepis vesicaria</i>                    | Beaked Hawksbeard        |
| <i>Cruprina crupinastrum</i>               | Cruprina                 |
| <i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>                  | -                        |
| <i>Filago minima</i>                       | Small Cudweed            |
| <i>Galactites tomentosa</i>                | Galactites               |
| <i>Glebionis segetum</i>                   | Corn Marigold            |
| <i>Hedypnois cretica</i>                   |                          |
| <i>Helichrysum italicum</i>                | an Everlasting           |
| <i>Hyoseris radiata</i>                    | -                        |
| <i>Hypochoeris glabra</i>                  | Smooth Cat's-ear         |
| <i>Hypochoeris radicata</i>                | Common Cat's-ear         |
| <i>Lapsana communis</i>                    | Nipplewort               |
| <i>Mycelis muralis</i>                     | Wall Lettuce             |
| <i>Otanthus maritimus</i>                  | Cottonweed               |
| <i>Pallenis spinosa</i>                    | Pallenis                 |
| <i>Phagnalon saxatile</i>                  | Phagnalon                |
| <i>Ptilostemon casabonae*</i>              | Ptilostemon              |
| <i>Rhagadiolus edulis</i>                  | -                        |
| <i>Santolina corsica*</i>                  | Corsican Lavender-cotton |
| <i>Senecio lividus</i>                     | -                        |
| <i>Senecio vulgaris</i>                    | Groundsel                |
| <i>Silybum marianum</i>                    | Milk Thistle             |
| <i>Sonchus asper</i>                       | Prickly Sow-thistle      |
| <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>                   | Smooth Sow-thistle       |
| <i>Taraxacum sp.</i>                       | Dandelions               |
| <i>Tragopogon porrifolius</i>              | Salsify                  |
| <i>Urospermum dalechampii</i>              | -                        |
| <i>Urospermum picroides</i>                | -                        |
| <b>Berberidaceae</b>                       | <b>Barberry Family</b>   |
| <i>Berberis aetnensis</i> *                | Etna Barberry            |
| <b>Betulaceae</b>                          | <b>Birch Family</b>      |
| <i>Alnus alnobetula subsp. suaveolens*</i> | Corsican Alder           |
| <i>Alnus glutinosa</i>                     | Common Alder             |
| <i>Betula pendula</i>                      | Silver Birch             |
| <b>Boraginaceae</b>                        | <b>Borage Family</b>     |
| <i>Anchusa arvensis</i>                    | Bugloss                  |
| <i>Borago officinale</i>                   | Borage Family            |
| <i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>                | Blue Hound's-tongue      |
| <i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>              |                          |
| <i>Echium italicum</i>                     | Italian Viper's-bugloss  |
| <i>Echium plantagineum</i>                 | Purple Viper's-bugloss   |
| <i>Myosotis discolor</i>                   | Changing Forget-me-not   |
| <i>Myosotis ramosissima</i>                | Early Forget-me-not      |
| <b>Brassicaceae</b>                        | <b>Cabbage Family</b>    |
| <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>                | Thale Cress              |
| <i>Arabis caucasica subsp. alpina</i>      | Alpine Rock-cress        |
| <i>Arabis glabra</i>                       | Tower-cress              |

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|---|----------------------------|
| <i>Arabis verna</i>                           | Spring Rock-cress          |
| <i>Barbarea rupicola</i> *                    | Rock Winter-cress          |
| <i>Brassica nigra</i>                         | Black Mustard              |
| <i>Bunius erucago</i>                         | Warty Cabbage              |
| <i>Cakile maritima</i>                        | Sea Rocket                 |
| <i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>                | Shepherds Purse            |
| <i>Capsella rubella</i>                       | a Shepherds Purse          |
| <i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>                      | Hairy Bittercress          |
| <i>Cardamine impatiens</i>                    | Narrow-leaved Bitter-cress |
| <i>Cardamine plumieri</i>                     | -                          |
| <i>Draba muralis</i>                          | Wall Whitlow-grass         |
| <i>Erophila glabrescens</i>                   | a Whitlow-grass            |
| <i>Hirschfeldia incarna</i>                   | Hoary Mustard              |
| <i>Isatis tinctoria</i>                       | Woad                       |
| <i>Lepidium draba</i>                         | Hoary Cress                |
| <i>Lobularia maritima</i>                     | Sweet Alison               |
| <i>Lunaria annua</i>                          | Honesty                    |
| <i>Maresia nana</i>                           | -                          |
| <i>Matthiola sinuata</i>                      | Sea Stock                  |
| <i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>                 | a Sea Stock                |
| <i>Raphanus raphanistrum subsp. maritimum</i> | Sea Radish                 |
| <i>Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum</i>           | Watercress                 |
| <i>Sinapis alba</i>                           | White Mustard              |
| <i>Sinapis arvensis</i>                       | Charlock                   |
| <i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>                  | Hedge Mustard              |
| <i>Teesdalia nudicaulis</i>                   | Shepherd's-cress           |
| <i>Thlaspi brevistylum</i>                    | a Penny-cress              |
| <b>Buxaceae</b>                               | <b>Box Family</b>          |
| <i>Buxus sempervirens</i>                     | Box                        |
| <b>Cactaceae</b>                              | <b>Cacti Family</b>        |
| <i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>                   | Barbary Fig                |
| <b>Campanulaceae</b>                          | <b>Bellflower Family</b>   |
| <i>Campanula erinus</i>                       | Annual bellflower          |
| <i>Campanula rapunculus</i>                   |                            |
| <i>Jasione montana</i>                        | Sheep's-bit                |
| <b>Cannabaceae</b>                            | <b>Hop Family</b>          |
| <i>Humulus lupulus</i>                        | Hop                        |
| <b>Caprifoliaceae</b>                         | <b>Honeysuckle Family</b>  |
| <i>Lonicera etrusca</i>                       | Etruscan Honeysuckle       |
| <i>Lonicera implexa</i>                       | a Honeysuckle              |
| <i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>                  | Honeysuckle                |
| <i>Sambucus ebulus</i>                        | Danewort                   |
| <i>Sambucus nigra</i>                         | Elder                      |
| <i>Viburnum tinus</i>                         | Laurustinus                |
| <b>Caryophyllaceae</b>                        | <b>Pink Family</b>         |
| <i>Arenaria balearica</i>                     | Balearic Sandwort          |
| <i>Cerastium fontanum</i>                     | Mouse-eared Chickweed      |

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|--|-------------------------|
| <i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>                              | Sticky Mouse-ear        |
| <i>Corrigiola litoralis</i>                              | Strapwort               |
| <i>Moenchia erecta</i>                                   | Upright Chickweed       |
| <i>Paronychia argentea</i>                               | Silvery Paronychia      |
| <i>Petrorhagia saxifraga</i> subsp. <i>gasparrinii</i> * | -                       |
| <i>Petrorhagia velutina</i>                              | Kohlrashia              |
| <i>Polycarpon tetraphyllum</i> subsp. <i>diphyllum</i>   | Four-leaved Allseed     |
| <i>Sagina procumbens</i>                                 | Pearlwort               |
| <i>Scleranthus perennis</i>                              | Perennial Knawel        |
| <i>Silene colorata</i>                                   | -                       |
| <i>Silene gallica</i>                                    | Small-flowered Catchfly |
| <i>Silene latifolia</i>                                  | White Champion          |
| <i>Silene sericea</i>                                    | -                       |
| <i>Silene vulgaris</i>                                   | Bladder Champion        |
| <i>Spergularia media</i>                                 | Greater Sea Spurrey     |
| <i>Spergularia rubra</i>                                 |                         |
| <i>Stellaria media</i>                                   | Chickweed               |
| <i>Stellaria neglecta</i>                                | -                       |
| <b>Chenopodiaceae</b>                                    | <b>Goosefoot Family</b> |
| <i>Chenopodium album</i>                                 | Fat Hen                 |
| <i>Chenopodium bonus-henricus</i>                        | Good King Henry         |
| <i>Beta vulgaris</i> subsp. <i>maritima</i>              | Sea Beet                |
| <b>Cistaceae</b>   | <b>Rockrose Family</b>  |
| <i>Cistus creticus</i>                                   | Cretan Cistus           |
| <i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>                              | Narrow-leaved Cistus    |
| <i>Cistus salvifolius</i>                                | Sage-leaved Cistus      |
| <i>Halimium halimifolium</i>                             | A Halimium              |
| <i>Tuberaria guttata</i>                                 | Spotted Rockrose        |
| <i>Tuberaria lignosa</i>                                 | -                       |
| <b>Convolvulaceae</b>                                    | <b>Bindweed Family</b>  |
| <i>Calystegia soldanella</i>                             | Sea Bindweed            |
| <i>Convolvulus altheoides</i>                            | Mallow-leaved Bindweed  |
| <i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>                            | -                       |
| <i>Cuscuta epithimum</i>                                 | Common Dodder           |
| <b>Cornaceae</b>   | <b>Dogwood Family</b>   |
| <i>Cornus sanguinea</i>                                  | Dogwood                 |
| <b>Crassulaceae</b>                                      | <b>Stonecrop family</b> |
| <i>Sedum album</i>                                       | White Stonecrop         |
| <i>Sedum brevifolium</i>                                 | Short-leaved Stonecrop  |
| <i>Sedum dasyphyllum</i>                                 | Fat-leaved Stonecrop    |
| <i>Sedum rupestre</i>                                    | Large Rock Stonecrop    |
| <i>Sedum stellatum</i>                                   | -                       |
| <i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>                               | Wall Pennywort          |
| <b>Cytinaceae</b>  | <b>Cytinus Family</b>   |
| <i>Cytinus hypocistus</i>                                | Cytinus                 |
| <i>Cytinus ruber</i>                                     | -                       |

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| <b>Dipsacaceae</b>                             | <b>Teasel Family</b>          |
| <i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>                       | Teasel                        |
| <b>Ericaceae</b>                               | <b>Heather Family</b>         |
| <i>Arbutus unedo</i>                           | Strawberry Tree               |
| <i>Erica arborea</i>                           | Tree Heather                  |
| <i>Erica scoparia</i>                          | Besom Heath                   |
| <i>Erica terminalis</i>                        | Corsican Heath                |
| <b>Euphorbiaceae</b>                           | <b>Spurge Family</b>          |
| <i>Euphorbia amygdaloides</i>                  | Wood Spurge                   |
| <i>Euphorbia characias ssp.characias</i>       | Large Mediterranean Spurge    |
| <i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>                   | Sun Spurge                    |
| <i>Euphorbia hibernica subsp. insularis *</i>  | an Irish Spurge               |
| <i>Euphorbia lathyris</i>                      | Caper Spurge                  |
| <i>Euphorbia paralias</i>                      | Sea Spurge                    |
| <i>Euphorbia peplus</i>                        | Petty Spurge                  |
| <i>Mercurialis perennis</i>                    | Dog's Mercury                 |
| <b>Fabaceae</b>                                | <b>Pea Family</b>             |
| <i>Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. praepropera</i> | Mediterranean Kidney Vetch    |
| <i>Bitumaria bituminosa</i>                    | Pitch Trefoil                 |
| <i>Calycotome spinosa</i>                      | Thorny Broom                  |
| <i>Calycotome villosa</i>                      | Hairy Thorny Broom            |
| <i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>                       | Carob                         |
| <i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>                     | Judas Tree                    |
| <i>Cytisus scoparius</i>                       | Broom                         |
| <i>Dorycnium hirsutum</i>                      | Dorycnium                     |
| <i>Genista corsica*</i>                        | a spiny Greenweed             |
| <i>Genista salzmannii subsp. lobelioides *</i> | a montane Greenweed           |
| <i>Genista salzmannii subsp. salzmannii *</i>  | -                             |
| <i>Hippocrepis biflora</i>                     | a Horseshoe Vetch             |
| <i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>                         | Yellow Vetchling              |
| <i>Lathyrus clymenum</i>                       | a Pea                         |
| <i>Lathyrus cicer</i>                          | a Pea                         |
| <i>Lathyrus latifolius</i>                     |                               |
| <i>Lathyrus setifolius</i>                     | a Pea                         |
| <i>Lathyrus sphaericus</i>                     | a Pea                         |
| <i>Lathyrus sylvestris</i>                     | Narrow-leaved Everlasting Pea |
| <i>Lotus corniculatus</i>                      | Bird's-foot Trefoil           |
| <i>Lotus cytisoides</i>                        | -                             |
| <i>Lupinus angustifolius</i>                   | Narrow-Leaved Lupin           |
| <i>Medicago arabica</i>                        | Spotted Medick                |
| <i>Medicago littoralis</i>                     | Shore Medick                  |
| <i>Medicago lupulina</i>                       | Black Medick                  |
| <i>Medicago marina</i>                         | Sea Medick                    |
| <i>Medicago minima</i>                         | Bur Medick                    |
| <i>Melilotus albus</i>                         | White Melilot                 |
| <i>Melilotus indicus</i>                       | Small Melilot                 |
| <i>Ononis variegata</i>                        | a Restharrow                  |
| <i>Ornithopus compressus</i>                   | Compressed Bird's-foot        |
| <i>Ornithopus perpusillus</i>                  | Common Bird's-foot            |
| <i>Robinia pseudacacia</i>                     | False Acacia                  |

**Scientific name**

*Scoparius muricatus*  
*Spartium junceum*  
*Trifolium arvense*  
*Trifolium campestre*  
*Trifolium dubium*  
*Trifolium fragiferum*  
*Trifolium incarnatum*  
*Trifolium micranthum*  
*Trifolium pratense*  
*Trifolium repens*  
*Trifolium resupinatum*  
*Trifolium scabrum*  
*Trifolium stellatum*  
*Trifolium subterraneum*  
*Trifolium tomentosum*  
*Vicia articulata*  
*Vicia cracca*  
*Vicia hirsuta*  
*Vicia hybrida*  
*Vicia lathyroides*  
*Vicia lutea*  
*Vicia sativa*  
*Vicia villosa*

**Fagaceae**

*Castanea sativa*  
*Fagus sylvatica*  
*Quercus coccifera*  
*Quercus ilex*  
*Quercus pubescens*  
*Quercus suber*

**Fumariaceae**

*Fumaria bastardii*  
*Fumaria capreolata*  
*Fumaria officinalis agg.*

**Gentianaceae**

*Blackstonia perfoliata*  
*Centaureum maritimum*  
*Gentiana asclepiadea*

**Geraniaceae**

*Erodium ciconium*  
*Erodium cicutarium*  
*Erodium maritimum*  
*Erodium moschatum*  
*Geranium dissectum*  
*Geranium lucidum*  
*Geranium molle*  
*Geranium purpureum*  
*Geranium pusillum*  
*Geranium robertianum*

**Common name**

Scorpion vetch  
 Spanish Broom  
 Hare's-foot Clover  
 Hop Trefoil  
 Lesser Yellow Trefoil  
 Strawberry Clover  
  
 Least Yellow Trefoil  
 Red Clover  
 White Clover  
 Reversed Clover  
 Rough Clover  
 Starry Clover  
 Burrowing Clover  
 Woolly Trefoil  
 -  
 Tufted Vetch  
 Hairy Tare  
  
 Spring Vetch  
 Yellow Vetchling  
 Common Vetch  
 Fodder Vetch

**Oak Family**

Sweet Chestnut  
 Beech  
 Kermes Oak  
 Holm Oak  
 Downy Oak  
 Cork Oak

**Fumitory Family**

Tall Ramping Fumitory  
 White Ramping Fumitory  
 Common Fumitory

**Gentian Family**

Yellow-wort  
 Sea Centaury  
 Willow-leaved Gentian

**Geranium Family**

-  
 Common Stork's-bill  
 Sea Stork's-bill  
 Musk Stork's-bill  
 Cut-leaved Crane's-bill  
 Shining Crane's-bill  
 Dove's-foot Crane's-bill  
 Little Robin  
 Small-flowered Crane's-bill  
 Herb Robert

| Scientific name  | Common name   |
|--|---|
| <i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>  | Round-leaved Crane's-bill   |
| <b>Juglandaceae</b><br><i>Juglans regia</i>  | <b>Walnut Family</b><br>Walnut  |
| <b>Lamiaceae</b><br><i>Lamium amplexicaule</i><br><i>Lamium maculatum</i><br><i>Lavendula stoechas</i><br><i>Mentha aquatica</i><br><i>Mentha requienii</i> *<br><i>Mentha suaveolens</i><br><i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i><br><i>Salvia verbenaca</i><br><i>Stachys corsica</i> *<br><i>Stachys glutinosa</i> *<br><i>Teucrium marum</i> *<br><i>Teucrium scorodonia</i><br><i>Thymus herba-barona</i> * | <b>Dead-nettle Family</b><br>Henbit Dead-nettle<br>Spotted Dead-nettle<br>French Lavender<br>Water Mint<br>Corsican Mint<br>Round-leaved Mint<br>Rosemary<br>Wild Clary<br>Corsican Woundwort<br>A Woundwort<br>A Germander<br>Wood Sage<br>A Thyme |
| <b>Linaceae</b><br><i>Linum bienne</i>   | <b>Flax Family</b><br>Pale Flax   |
| <b>Loranthaceae</b><br><i>Viscum album</i> subsp. <i>austriacum</i>  | <b>Mistletoe Family</b><br>Mistletoe  |
| <b>Malvaceae</b><br><i>Malva sylvestris</i>  | <b>Mallow Family</b><br>Common Mallow   |
| <b>Moraceae</b><br><i>Ficus carica</i>   | <b>Fig Family</b><br>Fig  |
| <b>Oleaceae</b><br><i>Fraxinus angustifolius</i><br><i>Fraxinus excelsior</i><br><i>Fraxinus ornus</i><br><i>Olea europaea</i><br><i>Phillyrea angustifolia</i><br><i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>  | <b>Olive Family</b><br>Narrow-leaved Ash<br>Ash<br>Manna Ash<br>Olive<br>-<br>-   |
| <b>Orobanchaceae</b><br><i>Orobanche minor</i><br><i>Orobanche ramosa</i>  | <b>Broomrape Family</b><br>Lesser Broomrape<br>Branched Broomrape   |
| <b>Oxalidaceae</b><br><i>Oxalis articulata</i><br><i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>   | <b>Wood-Sorrels</b><br>Pink Oxalis<br>Bermuda Buttercup   |
| <b>Papaveraceae</b><br><i>Glaucium flavum</i><br><i>Papaver rhoeas</i><br><i>Papaver somniferum</i>  | <b>Poppy Family</b><br>Yellow Horned Poppy<br>Common Poppy<br>Opium Poppy   |



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| <b>Pittosporaceae</b><br><i>Pittosporum tobira</i>   | <b>Pittosporum Family</b><br>Pittosporum  |
| <b>Plantaginaceae</b><br><i>Plantago afra</i><br><i>Plantago bellardii</i><br><i>Plantago coronopus</i><br><i>Plantago cretica</i><br><i>Plantago lanceolata</i><br><i>Plantago major</i><br><i>Plantago sarda var. sarda</i>  | <b>Plantain Family</b><br>-<br>a Plantain<br>Buck's-horn Plantain<br>Branched Plantain<br>Ribwort Plantain<br>Greater Plantain<br>A Plantain  |
| <b>Platanaceae</b><br><i>Platanus x hispanica</i>  | <b>Plane Family</b><br>Plane  |
| <b>Plumbaginaceae</b><br><i>Armeria leucocephala</i> *   | <b>Thrift Family</b><br>A Thrift  |
| <b>Polygalaceae</b><br><i>Polygala nicaeensis subsp. corsica</i>   | <b>Milkwort Family</b><br>Corsican Milkwort   |
| <b>Polygonaceae</b><br><i>Polygonum aviculare</i><br><i>Polygonum maritimum</i><br><i>Rumex acetosella subsp. pyrenaicus</i><br><i>Rumex bucephalophorus</i><br><i>Rumex conglomeratus</i>   | <b>Dock Family</b><br>Knotgrass<br>Sea Knotgrass<br>a Sheep's Sorrel<br>Horned Dock<br>Clustered Dock   |
| <b>Primulaceae</b><br><i>Anagallis arvensis (Red and Blue)</i><br><i>Cyclamen repandum</i>   | <b>Primrose Family</b><br>Scarlet Pimpernel<br>Spring Sowbread  |
| <b>Ranunculaceae</b><br><i>Anemone hortensis</i><br><i>Aquilegia dumeticola</i> *<br><i>Clematis flammula</i><br><i>Clematis vitalba</i><br><i>Helleborus argutifolius</i> *<br><i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i><br><i>Ranunculus ficaria</i><br><i>Ranunculus flammula</i><br><i>Ranunculus muricatus</i><br><i>Ranunculus repens</i><br><i>Ranunculus sceleratus</i> | <b>Buttercup Family</b><br>-<br>-<br>-<br>Traveller's Joy<br>Corsican Hellebore<br>Bulbous Buttercup<br>Lesser Celandine<br>Lesser Spearwort<br><br>Creeping Buttercup<br>Celery-leaved Buttercup |
| <b>Resedaceae</b><br><i>Reseda lutea</i>   | <b>Mignonette Family</b><br>Mignonette  |
| <b>Rhamnaceae</b><br><i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>  | <b>Buckthorn Family</b><br>Mediterranean Buckthorn  |
| <b>Rosaceae</b><br><i>Alchemilla alpina</i>  | <b>Rose Family</b><br>Alpine Lady's-mantle  |

**Scientific name**

*Amelanchier ovalis* var. *ramnoides* \*  
*Aphanes arvensis*  
*Crataegus monogyna*  
*Fragaria vesca*  
*Potentilla erecta*  
*Potentilla micrantha*  
*Potentilla reptans*  
*Prunus avium*  
*Prunus spinosa*  
*Pyrus amygdaliformis*  
*Rosa canina*  
*Rubus ulmifolius*  
*Sanguisorba minor*  
*Sorbus aucuparia* subsp. *praemorsa* \*

**Rubiaceae**

*Cruciata laevipes*  
*Galium aparine*  
*Galium mollugo*  
*Galium odoratum*  
*Galium verum*  
*Rubia peregrina*  
*Sherardia arvensis*

**Rutaceae**

*Ruta chalepensis*

**Salicaceae**

*Populus alba*  
*Populus nigra* agg.

**Santalaceae**

*Osyris alba*

**Saxifragaceae**

*Saxifraga corsica* \*  
*Saxifraga pedemontana* subsp. *cervicornus*  
*Saxifraga rotundifolia* subsp. *insularis*  
*Saxifraga tridactylites*

**Scrophulariaceae**

*Antirrhinum majus*  
*Bellardia trixago*  
*Cymbalaria aequitiloba* \*  
*Cymbalaria muralis*  
*Digitalis purpurea* subsp. *gyspergerae* \*  
*Linaria pelisseriana*  
*Misopates orontium*  
*Parentucellia viscosa*  
*Scrophularia canina*  
*Scrophularia peregrina*  
*Verbascum sinuatum*  
*Veronica arvensis*

**Common name**

A Juneberry  
Parsley Piert  
Hawthorn  
Wild Strawberry  
Tormentil  
-  
Creeping Cinquefoil  
Wild Cherry  
Blackthorn  
Almond-leaved Pear  
Dog Rose  
A Blackberry  
Salad Burnet  
Corsican Mountain Ash

**Bedstraw Family**

Crosswort  
Cleavers  
Hedge Bedstraw  
Sweet Woodruff  
Ladies Bedstraw  
Wild Madder  
Field Madder

**Rue Family**

Fringed Rue

**Willow Family**

White Poplar  
Black Poplar

**Sandalwood Family**

Osyris

**Saxifrage Family**

Corsican Saxifrage  
Piedmont Saxifrage  
Round-leaved Saxifrage  
Rue-leaved Saxifrage

**Figwort Family**

Snapdragon  
Bellardia  
-  
Ivy-leaved Toadflax  
Foxglove  
Jersey Toadflax  
Weasel Snout  
Yellow Bartsia  
French Figwort  
Nettle-leaved Figwort  
Wavy Mullein  
Wall Speedwell

| <b>Scientific name</b>          | <b>Common name</b>               |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>      | Germander Speedwell              |
| <i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>      | White Speedwell                  |
| <i>Veronica persica</i>         | Common Speedwell                 |
| <i>Veronica repens</i> *        | Creeping Speedwell               |
| <b>Solanaceae</b>               | <b>Nightshade Family</b>         |
| <i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>         | Henbane                          |
| <b>Tamaricaceae</b>             | <b>Tamarisk Family</b>           |
| <i>Tamarix africana</i>         | African Tamarisk                 |
| <b>Thymelaeaceae</b>            | <b>Daphne Family</b>             |
| <i>Daphne gnidium</i>           | Mediterranean Mezereon           |
| <b>Tiliaceae</b>                | <b>Lime Family</b>               |
| <i>Tilia platyphyllos</i>       | Broad-leaved Lime                |
| <b>Urticaceae</b>               | <b>Nettle Family</b>             |
| <i>Parietaria judaica</i>       | Pellitory-of-the-Wall            |
| <i>Urtica atrovirens</i>        | A Nettle                         |
| <i>Urtica dioica</i>            | Common Nettle                    |
| <b>Valerianaceae</b>            | <b>Valerian family</b>           |
| <i>Centranthus ruber</i>        | Red Valerian                     |
| <i>Centranthus calcitrapae</i>  | Small Red Valerian               |
| <b>Violaceae</b>                | <b>Violet Family</b>             |
| <i>Viola arvensis</i>           | Field Pansy                      |
| <i>Viola biflora</i>            | -                                |
| <i>Viola canina</i>             | Heath Dog Violet                 |
| <i>Viola riviniana</i>          | Common Dog Violet                |
| <b>Vitaceae</b>                 | <b>Grape-vine Family</b>         |
| <i>Vitis vinifera</i>           | Grape-vine                       |
| <b>Liliidae</b>                 |                                  |
| <b>Alismataceae</b>             | <b>Water Plantain Family</b>     |
| <i>Alisma plantago-aquatica</i> | Water Plantain                   |
| <b>Araceae</b>                  | <b>Lords &amp; Ladies Family</b> |
| <i>Arisarum vulgare</i>         | Friar's Cowl                     |
| <i>Arum italicum</i>            |                                  |
| <i>Dracunculus muscivorus</i> * |                                  |
| <b>Dioscoriaceae</b>            | <b>Black Bryony Family</b>       |
| <i>Tamus communis</i>           | Black Bryony                     |
| <b>Iridaceae</b>                | <b>Iris Family</b>               |
| <i>Crocus corsicus</i> *        | Corsican Crocus                  |
| <i>Gladiolus italicus</i>       | Field Gladiolus                  |
| <i>Iris pseudacorus</i>         | Yellow Flag                      |

**Scientific name****Liliaceae**

*Allium ampeloprasum*  
*Allium pendulinum*  
*Allium roseum*  
*Allium schoenoprasum*  
*Allium triquetrum*  
*Allium ursinum*  
*Asparagus acutifolius*  
*Asparagus albus*  
*Asphodelus aestivus*  
*Asphodelus ramosus*  
*Brimeura fastigiata* \*  
*Gagea soleirolii* \*  
*Leucojum longifolium* \*  
*Muscari comosum*  
*Pancratium illyricum* \*  
*Pancratium maritimum*  
*Polygonatum odoratum*  
*Ruscus aculeatus*  
*Smilax aspera*

**Orchidaceae**

*Cephalanthera longifolia*  
*Dactylorhiza insularis*  
*Dactylorhiza saccifera*  
*Limodorum abortivum*  
*Ophrys incubacea*  
*Orchis anthropophora*  
*Orchis intacta*  
*Orchis morio*  
*Orchis papilionacea subsp.papilionacea*  
*Orchis provincialis*  
*Serapias cordigera*  
*Serapias lingua*  
*Serapias neglecta*  
*Serapias parviflora*  
*Serapias vomeracea*

**Posidoniaceae**

*Posidonia oceanica* (Fruits only)

**Common name****Lily Family**

Wild Leek  
 Pendulous Leek  
 Rosy Garlic  
 Chives  
 Three-cornered Leek  
 Ramsons  
 Spiny Asparagus  
 -  
 Common Asphodel  
 Branched Asphodel  
 Brimeura  
 a Yellow star-of-Bethlehem  
 a Snowflake  
 Tassel Hyacinth  
 Illyrian Sea Daffodil  
 Sea Daffodil  
 Angular Solomon's-seal  
 Butcher's Broom  
 Common Smilax

**Orchid Family**

Sword-leaved Helleborine  
 -  
 -  
 Violet Bird's-nest Orchid  
 an Early Spider Orchid  
 Man Orchid  
 Dense-flowered Orchid  
 Green-winged Orchid  
 Pink Butterfly Orchid  
 Provence Orchid  
 Heart-shaped Tongue Orchid  
 Tongue Orchid  
 Scarce Tongue Orchid  
 Small-flowered Tongue Orchid  
 Long-lipped Tongue Orchid

**Posidonia Family**

Posidonia or "sea-balls"