France - The Vercors (By Train)

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Duke of Burgundy Fritillary - Hamearis lucina





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Tour Report France - The Vercors

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Day 1 Sunday 13th May

Weather: Fine and sunny with some cloud. 20 degrees C

Thirteen tour participants met Paul and Alan at St. Pancras International Station for the 08-57hrs Eurostar service to Lille Europe, arriving at 11.24hrs local time. We then transferred to the 13-03hrs Lille to Marseilles TGV service, arriving at Lyon Part Dieu at 16-00hrs. Upon our arrival, we collected our minibuses for the final leg of the journey to the Vercors region, travelling towards Grenoble before turning up to Pont en Royans, on the Vercors Plateaux. Along the way we saw White Stork, Common Buzzard and Black Kite, and at a motorway rest area, Sue found a Swallow Prominent moth. We made our way to La Chapelle en Vercors through part of the stunning Gorges de la Bourne, arriving at our destination, the Hotel Bellier, which was to be our base for the next seven nights. After settling into our rooms, it was time to meet for dinner. Some of the group members were sung to sleep by a distant Scops Owl.

Day 2 Monday 14th May

Weather: Fine, warm and sunny, with a chilly breeze at altitude. 13 degrees C

After breakfast, we set off for our first full day in the Vercors. We made our way towards Vassieux en Vercors, and specifically to the cemetery, where the victims of the Nazi massacre at the village, during the Second World War, are buried. Paul gave us a short explanation of the history, before moving off to explore a nearby quarry. A pair of Yellowhammers, and a Red-backed Shrike was seen, and a splendid Short-toed Snake Eagle was spotted hanging in the sky up over the ridge.

For the botanists there was *Cerastium arvense* (Field Mouse-ear), *Globularia punctata* (Common Globularia), *Viola tricolor subsp. subalpina* (Alpine Heartsease) and *Prunus mahaleb* (St. Lucie's Cherry). We also recorded a butterfly which was new to the trip, a very fresh Weaver's Fritillary.

A brief stop on the Col de la Chau added Northern Wall Brown and Berger's Clouded Yellow to the butterfly list, and *Saponaria ocymoides* (Rock Soapwort) and *Erinus alpinus* (Fairy Foxglove) to the plant list. Common Chiffchaff and Blackcap were heard singing.

Moving on, we made our way to the Font d'Urle, an area of open limestone crags and meadows used for skiing in winter. We parked the vehicles and set off for a walk. The botanists began with a recent, now melted, snow patch which had *Crocus albiflorus* (White Crocus), *Erythronium dens-canis* (Dog-tooth Violet) and *Dactylorhiza sambucina* (Elder-flowered Orchid) around it. In the meantime, the birders went off to explore the chalet area, finding Black Redstart, Common Chaffinch and a good number of Yellow-billed Chough partrolling the ridges. After lunch, we continued our exploration of the picturesque spot, walking up to a headland with stunning views. Along the way we had good views of Alpine Marmot, and found numerous *Ranunculus pyrenaeus* (Pyrenean Buttercup), *Narcissus pseudonarcissus* (Wild Daffodil), *Scilla bifolia* (Alpine Squill) and *Gagea fragifera* (a Yellow Star of Bethlehem). A female Wheatear flew in front of us, but did not settle. *Gentiana verna* (Spring Gentian) and *Draba aizoides* (Yellow Whitlow-grass) were seen as we were returning to the vehicles.

Leaving the Font d'Urle, we set off to do our week's picnic shopping, heading off towards St. Jean en Royans, over the Col de la Machine, overlooking the magnificent Combe Laval, before passing along the magnificent, Route Combe Laval, and on down to the town. Shopping completed, were returned by the same route, stopping at the Col de la Machine. Here we saw Crag Martin and House Martin, whilst the botanists added *Botrychium lunaria* (Moonwort), *Lamium garganicum* (Large Red Deadnettle), *Arabis alpina* (Alpine Rock-cress) and *Kernera saxatile* (Kernera). It was now time to return to La Chapelle for dinner.

Day 3 Tuesday 15th May

Weather: Cloudy with sunny intervals. 12 degrees C

Today we made our way up to the northern end of the Vercors Plateaux. Our main objective for the day was to try to find a Wallcreeper, but we found interesting things en route, too. Leaving La Chapelle, a Eurasian Jay was spotted sitting on a fence post. We drove north to the village of St Martin en Vercors, and then we turned right, up towards Herbouilly. Our first scheduled stop was to see *Orchis pallens* (Pale-flowered Orchid). This being an apparently late season, the plants were at their best. There was also *Lathyrus vernus* (Spring Pea) and the leaves of *Convallaria majalis* (Lily of the Valley).

We continued driving on the back road to Villard de Lans and Lans en Vercors and on to the tiny hamlet of Les Merciers, where we parked in a wide quarry-like lay-by. As we parked a fine show of *Gentiana clusii* (Clusius' Gentian) was seen. The birders set off with Alan for a tall crag, a site where Wallcreepers had been seen in past years. Settling down on the top of a viewing point to wait and watch for signs of movement, they made themselves comfortable. Meanwhile, Paul took the botanists off to explore. They found *Saxifraga paniculata* (Livelong Saxifrage), *Anthyllis montana* (Mountain Kidney Vetch), *Asplenium fontanum* (Rock Spleenwort) and *Cuscuta europaea* (Greater Dodder).

At the viewpoint the birders enjoyed seeing Crag Martin, Raven, Common Swift and Eurasian Crag Martin, but, sadly, no Wallcreepers. By now it was time for lunch, so we returned to the vehicles, as we did so we got close views of a Western Bonelli's Warbler, and Dingy Skipper, Red Admiral, Berger's Clouded Yellow and Northern Wall Brown butterflies. From Les Merciers, we made the short journey down to the Gorges de Furon for our streamside picnic. Here, the wildlife highlight was Duke of Burgundy Fritillary and Orange Tip butterflies.

Our next stop was to explore some wet meadows at Les Bruyeres. In past years we have found Marsh Warblers here, but this year, probably due to the late season, they did not appear to have arrived. However, Yellowhammer and European Stonechat were recorded. Plants included *Tephroseris helenitis* (Swiss Ragwort), *Valeriana dioica* (Marsh Valerian), *Geum rivale* (Water Avens) and *Dactylorhiza majalis* (Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid). A small pond produced hybrid Pool Frogs.

Retracing our route from the morning, we made a short stop at the derelict village of Valchevriere, and a memorial to the Resistance, before making our final stop of the day near the tiny hamlet of Toutre, to explore a verge bank. Seven species of orchid were found, *Neottia ovata* (Twayblade), *Ophrys insectifera* (Fly Orchid), *Orchis mascula* (Early Purple Orchid), *Ophrys fuciflora* (Late Spider Orchid), *Cephalanthera longifolia* (Narrow-leaved Helleborine), *Orchis militaris* (Military Orchid) and *Orchis anthropophorum* (Man Orchid), as well as the curious *Asarum europaeum* (Asarabacca). From here we made our way back to La Chapelle en Vercors.

Day 4

Wednesday 16th May

Weather: Very cold at altitude with strong breeze and some light snow flurries. Sunny later

Seven members of the group joined Alan for a very early start to go to try and find Black Grouse, making our way up onto the Hauts Plateaux, and arriving in the La Coche car park at 05-00hrs. The temperature was zero degrees, however, when wind-chill was taken into consideration, it was considerably colder. There was then a walk up to the lek site, which took about an hour. As we walked we heard Song Thrush, closely followed by Common Cuckoo and numerous Coal Tits and Robins. As the wonderful panorama of the plateau opened up before us, we had wonderful views of a male Ring Ouzel, of the *alpestris* race, showing its silvery wing pattens. As we approached the lek site, birds were flying overhead, and we stopped for scope views of Red Crossbill and Citril Finch. Unusually, we could not hear Black Grouse, and as the lek site area opened in front of us, two male birds were seen on the ground, closer than expected. The group position, being up wind from them, meant they sensed our presence immediately, flying off into the trees, thus, only allowing a couple of group members a brief view. Following a very welcome hot drink, we explored the area, but curtailed our activities due to the intense cold. Heard were the song and call of Black Grouse, and sightings included Tree Pipit, Crested Tit and a pair of Bullfinch.

After a good breakfast the rest of the group, with Paul, drove south, making a first stop at a viewpoint, half way up the access road to the plateau, where Paul pointed out the differences between *Cardamine heptophylla* (Sevenleaflet Bittercress) and *Cardamine pentaphyllos* (Five-leaflet Bittercress). After parking at the La Coche car park, we made our way along the same roads and tracks through the forest that the birders had taken earlier, towards the open area higher up. Sporadic, emerging spikes of *Orchis ovalis* (an Early Purple Orchid) were seen, as well as *Daphne cneorum* (Garland Flower), *Tulipa sylvestris subsp. sylvestris* (Wild Tulip) and many *Soldanella alpina* (Alpine Snowbells).

We then began exploring the mainly *Abies alba* (Silver Fir) and *Picea abies* (Norway Spruce) woodland, where we spotted Bullfinch, Marsh Tit and Firecrest at this point. Before long we met up with the birders descending after their morning's activities, and exchanged records. As they made their way on down for their picnic, the botanists continued on up, soon emerging from the rocky forest onto the Plateau, finding *Pinus uncinata* (Mountain Pine), *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* (Bearberry) and *Crocus albiflorus* (White Crocus) and *Daphne cneorum* (Garland Flower). Dunnock and Ring Ouzel could be heard calling and a solitary Golden Eagle drifted overhead.

From here we made our way back down to La Coche, where the birders had completed their lunch and set off back to the hotel. The botanists, meanwhile, drove along the east side of the plateau to a viewpoint, where we set up our lunch, which was taken during intermittent snow flurries. Philip found some emerging flowers of *Pulsatilla alpina* (Alpine Pasqueflower).

In the afternoon, both groups travelled, independently, along the east side of the Plateau, returning early to the hotel for some rest. On the way, a stop was made at a road verge, after the descent. Here, *Orchis anthropophora* (Man Orchid) and *Ophrys insectifera* (Fly Orchid), both in good numbers, were recorded.

Day 5 Thursday 17th May

Weather: Fine, warm and sunny with a cool breeze at altitude. 22 degrees C

Today, we drove south from La Chapelle en Vercors. Our first stop was at the head of the spectacular Col de Rousset – there are truly magnificent views from here. A Chamois was spotted resting on a distant slope as we enjoyed the panorama. Moving on down the valley, we made a second stop to watch Griffon Vultures leaving their roosts – counting about 17 birds in total. We also located some sitting birds in the telescope too, so everyone managed to see them. Above the Vultures, we spotted a high flying Alpine Swift, and a pair of Ravens. On the verge there were three or four large plants of *Ononis speciosus* (Shrubby Restharrow) and a few stems of *Aphallanthes monspeliensis* (Blue Aphallanthes) and *Cotinus coggygria* (Smoke Bush).

At the bottom of the valley we turned east through the town of Die and on through Pont de Quart and Chatillon en Diois, and on up through Menee and Les Nonniaires, towards the Col de Menee. Below the Col, we stopped by some lovely meadows and mixed open woodland. The objective here was to see *Cypripedium calceolus* (Lady's Slipper Orchid). Unfortunately, due to the late season, these stunning plants were still only in bud in the known locations. However, Jenny found two small plants in flower in a new spot. We also saw *Cephalanthera longifolia* (Narrow-leaved Helleborine), *Orchis purpurea* (Lady Orchid) and *Gentiana angustifolia* (Narrow-leaved Gentian). In the meadow opposite we found Latticed Heath and Burnet Companion Moths and Wart-biter Bush-cricket, a pair of Eurasian Sparrowhawks and a Common Chiffchaff to the species list.

We now began to retrace our steps, but only as far as the spectacular Vallee de Combau, making our way to a ford in a small mountain stream where we set up lunch under *Pinus uncinata* (Mountain Pine) and *Pinus sylvestris* (Scot's Pine). There was a fine stand of *Pinguicula grandiflora* (Greater Butterwort) and some *Meum athamanticum* (Spignel), and we also saw heard Red Crossbill.

After lunch we stopped to search for *Orchis spitzelii* (Spitzel's Orchid), and, once again, it was Jenny's sharp eyes and exploration which found us a couple of emerging spikes. *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* (Bearberry) and *Gentiana angustifolia* (Narrow-leaved Gentian) were also found. Whilst the botanists were concentrating on flowers, a Chamois was disturbed by walkers on an adjacent scree slope, affording the remaining group members wonderful views.

We moved on to the village of Menee, where we turned north and up into the Cirque d'Archiane, a splendid amphitheatre of towering rock faces and cliffs. We then stopped to have some well-earned refreshments in the warm afternoon sun. *Antirrhinum latifolium* (Broad-leaved Snapdragon) and *Turritis glabra* (Tower Mustard) were recorded as well as Berger's Clouded Yellow, Wood White and Brown Argus Butterflies. Retracing our steps further, we made our way back up towards the Col de Rousset, and on to La Chapelle en Vercors for dinner.

Day 6 Friday 18th May

Weather: Light rain during the morning; bright, sunny and warm in the afternoon. 21 degrees C

Today, we travelled down towards the Col de la Machine then on over the Col de la Bataille. Here, we made a brief stop to enjoy the spectacular views, hearing a Common Chiffchaff and seeing a solitary, displaying Alpine Chough. From here, we continued on down off the plateau through the tiny town of Leoncal, where we turned left and headed south to the Col de Bacchus. Here we stopped to explore some lane verges, woodland and a broad road verge, finding *Orchis morio* (Green-winged Orchid), *Polygonatum odoratum* (Angular Solomon's-seal), *Orchis tridentata* (Toothed Orchid), *Cephalanthera damasonium* (White Helleborine) and *Daphne laureola* (Spurge Laurel), among many other species. The birders found Red-backed Shrike, Blackcap and Western Bonelli's Warbler.

A little further on, we made a second stop on the col, adding *Ophrys drumana* (Drome Bee Orchid), *Orchis ustulata* (Burnt Orchid) and *Orchis simia* (Monkey Orchid), before continuing on down Plan de Baix and Beaufort sur Gervanne, where we turned west to an area of open scrubby land with marginal woodland at Gigors. Here we added *Limodorum abortivum* (Violet Bird's-nest Orchid), *Helianthemum oelandicum subsp. canum* (Hoary Rockrose), more *Ophrys drumana* (Drome Bee Orchid), and *Quercus pubescens* (Downy Oak) to the plant list, and we added several more species to the insect list as well. Greenfinch, Blackcap and Cirl Bunting were also noted. From here we retraced our steps the short distance towards Beaufort, where we explored some arable margins. Five Rock Sparrows, Linnet, Honey Buzzard, Turtle Dove and Skylark were all seen. The botanists found *Trifolium incarnatum* (Crimson Clover), *Onobrychis arenaria* (a Sainfoin) and *Gladiolus italicus* (Field Gladiolus). It was now time to head north. We stopped to look at *Platanthera bifolia* (Lesser Butterfly Orchid) and *Orobanche gracilis* (Slender Broomrape) on a road verge, before retracing our steps back, to La Chapelle for dinner.

Day 7 Saturday 19th May

Weather: Cloudy, clearing later. 20 degrees C

We began today by driving north to Les Baraques en Vercors, before turning west, through the new road tunnel and the Petits Goulets to Ste. Eulalie en Royans. Along the way, we admired splendid stands of *Anthericum liliago* (St. Bernard's Lily).

At Ste. Eulalie, we turned north through Pont en Royans, before ascending to the route de Presles to a magnificent limestone cliff-face overlooking the valley of the River Bourne. As we drove up to the high point, a solitary clump of *Dianthus sylvestris* (Wood Pink) was spotted from the vehicle. At the cliffs, we saw a spectacular display by Eurasian Crag Martins and Common House Martins, which were also nest building on the rock face. We also saw a Short-toed Eagle and Honey Buzzard. The plants here included *Anacamptis pyramidalis* (Pyramidal Orchid), *Orchis anthropophora* (Man Orchid), *Lactuca perennis* (Mountain Lettuce), *Cytisophyllum sessilifolius* (Sessile Broom) and more *Anthericum liliago* (St. Bernard's Lily). We also saw Berger's Clouded Yellow, Wood White, Orange Tip and Small Tortoiseshell butterflies.

We now headed north into the Foret Comunale des Coulmes for our picnic. Eurasian Blackcap, Common Buzzard, Common Blackbird and Chaffinch were all recorded. However, it was particularly stunning views of Common Firecrest, that pleased us most. After lunch we explored a small grassy clearing, adding Grizzled and Dingy Skippers, Wood White and Brimstone butterflies; Burnet Companion moth was also recorded. Plants included *Paris quadrifolia* (Herb Paris), *Isopyrum thalictroides* (Rue-leaved Isopyrum) and the emerging spikes of Lilium martagon (Martagon Lily).

Retracing our steps, we made a brief stop on the descent to photograph *Ornithogalum pyrenaicum* (Bath Asparagus), before making our way into Pont en Royans. Here, on the river, we recorded Mallard and Grey Wagtail, as well as getting very good views of White-fronted Dipper. A juvenile was seen sat on a rock waiting to be fed and an adult was seen searching in the shallows for food. After indulging in, the now traditional, ice creams, we made our way back to La Chapelle en Vercors in time to pack befor dinner.

Day 8 Sunday 20th May

Weather: Cloudy, becoming warm and sunny

After an early breakfast, we left La Chapelle en Vercors, we bid farewell to Mme Bellier, her family and staff. We retraced the route north to the airport at Lyon, only, this time our leaders took us through the magnificent Gorges de la Bourne. We reached Lyon Exupery airport in time to drop Linda off for her flight to Rome, before continuing on to Lyon Part Dieu, in time to catch the 11-00hrs TGV to Lille and onward Eurostar connections to London.

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Species Lists

Plants

Scientific name Common name Location

PTERIDOPHYTES

FERNS & ALLIES

Equisetaceae Horsetail Family

Equisetum arvense Common Horsetail Vallee de Combau

Aspleniaceae Spleenwort Family

Asplenium fontanumSmooth Rock SpleenwortLes MerciersAsplenium ruta-murariaWall RueLes MerciersAsplenium trichomanesMaidenhair SpleenwortFont d'UrleAsplenium virideGreen SpleenwortHauts PlateuxPhyllitis scolopendriumHart's-tonquePont en Royans

Dryopteridaceae Buckler-fern Family

Polystichum aculeatumHard Shield-fernHauts PlateauxPolystichum IonchitisHolly FernHauts Plateaux

Ophioglossaceae Adder's-tongue Family

Botrychium lunaria Moonwort Vassieux Quarry

Woodsiaceae Lady-fern Family

Cystopteris fragilis Brittle Bladder-fern Col de la Machine

PINOPSIDA CONIFERS

Cupressaceae Juniper Family

Juniperus communisJuniperFont d'UrleJuniperus oxycedrusPrickly JuniperGigors

Pinaceae Pine Family

Abies alba European Silver Fir Les Merciers

Larix kaempferi (Planted) Japanese Larch La Chapelle en Vercors

Picea abies subsp. abiesNorway SpruceLes MerciersPinus nigra subsp. nigraAustrian or Black PineGigorsPinus sylvestrisScots PineLes MerciersPinus uncinataMountain PineHauts Plateaux

Taxaceae Yew Family

Taxus baccata Yew Les Merciers

MAGNOLIOPSIDA FLOWERING PLANTS

Magnoliidae

Aceraceae Maple Family

Acer campestris Field Maple Near Toutre

Acer opalus Italian Maple Route de Combe Laval

Acer platanoidesNorway MapleChamalocAcer pseudoplatanusSycamoreLes Merciers

Scientific name Common name Location

Sumach Family

Anacardiaceae

Cotinus coggygria Smoke Bush Chamaloc

Apiaceae Carrot Family

Angelica sylvestrisWild AngelicaLes MerciersAnthriscus sylvestrisCow ParsleyRoadsides

Apium nodiflorum Fool's Watercress Cirque d'Archiane

Eryngium c.f. campestreField EryngoGigorsHeracleum sphondyliumHogweedRoadsidesLaserpitium prutenicuma SermountainPreslesLaserpitium silera SermountainPresles

Meum athamanticum Spignel Vallee de Combau

Orlaya grandiflora Orlaya Gigors

Pimpinella major Greater Burnet Saxifrage Gorges du Furon

Pimpinella saxifraga Burnet Saxifrage Presles

Aquifoliaceae Holly Family

Ilex aquifolium Holly Above Presles

Araliaceae Ivy Family

Hedera helix agg Ivy La Chapelle en Vercors

Aristolochiaceae Birthwort Family

Asarum europaeum Asarabacca Near Toutre

Asclepiadaceae Milkweed Family

Vincetoxicum hirundinaria Swallow-wort Les Merciers

Asteraceae Daisy Family

Anthemis triumfetti Southern Dog-daisy Presles

Bellis perennis Daisy La Chapelle en Vercors

Cirsium palustreMarsh ThistleLes BruyeresCrepis vesicariaBeaked HawksbeardRoadsides

Lactuca perennis Blue or Mountain Lettuce **Presles** Leucanthemum vulgare Ox-eye Daisy Les Merciers Petasites albus White Butterbur Herbouilly Mouse-eared Hawkweed Pilosella officinarum Font d'Urle Senecio vulgaris Groundsel Les Merciers Tephroseris helenitis Swiss Ragwort Les Bruyeres

Tragopogon dubiusGoat's-beardCol de BacchusTussilago farfaraColt's-footVassieux Quarry

Betulaceae Birch Family

Betula pendulaSilver BirchLes MerciersCorylus avellanaHazelCol de la Chau

Boraginaceae Forget-me-not Family

Anchusa azureaLarge Blue BuglossRoadsidesCynoglossum officinalisHound's-tongueLes BruyeresEchium vulgareViper's-buglosspresles

Lithospermum arvense Corn Gromwell Crirque d'Archiane

Myosotis alpestris Alpine Wood Forget-me-not Font d'Urle

Presles

Scientific name Common name Location

Myosotis arvensisField Forget-me-notGigorsMyosotis sylvaticaWood Forget-me-notGorges du FuronPulmonaria montanaMountain LungwortFont d'UrlePulmonaria officinalisCommon LungwortFont d'Urle

Brassicaceae Cabbage Family
Aethionema saxatile Burnt Candytuft

Alliaria petiolataGarlic MustardGorges du FuronAlyssum montanumMountain AlyssumFont d'UrleArabis alpinaAlpine Rock-cressCol de la MachineArabis turritaTower-cressLes MerciersBiscutella brevicaulisa Buckler MustardCirque d'Artchiane

Bunias orientalis Warty Cabbage La Chapelle en Vercors
Capsella bursa-pastoris Shepherd's Purse Les Merciers

Cardamine heptaphyllaSeven-leaflet Bitter-cressHauts PlateauxCardamine pentaphyllosFive-leaflet Bitter-cressHauts PlateauxCardamine pratensisLady's Smock or Cuckoo FlowerLes BruyeresDraba aizoidesYellow Whitlow-grassFont d'Urle

Erysimum ochroleucum Decumbent Treacle-mustard Roadsides

Iberis pinnata A Candytuft Cirque d'Archiane

Kernera saxatilis Kernera Presles
Lepidium draba Hoary Cress Gigors

Lunaria annuaHonestyPont en RoyansLunaria redividaPerennial HonestyGorges de la BourneThlaspi arvenseField Penny-cressLes Merciers

Thlaspi montanum Mountain Penny-cress Ees Merclers

Freid Penny-cress Les Merclers

Font d'Urle

Buxaceae Box Family

Buxus sempervirens Box Vallee de Combau

Caprifoliaceae Honeysuckle Family

Lonicera alpigenaAlpine HoneysuckleHauts PlateauxLonicera periclymenumHoneysucklePreslesLonicera xylosteumFly HoneysuckleGorges du FuronSambucus ebulusDwarf ElderNear ValchevriereSambucus nigraElderRoadsides

Sambucus racemosus Red-berried Elder Near Valchevriere
Viburnum lantana Wayfaring Tree Near La Chapelle

Caryophyllaceae Pink Family

Cerastium arvenseField Mouse-earVassieux QuarryCerastium glomeratumSticky Mouse-earLa Chapelle en Vercors

Dianthus sylvestris Wood Pink Presles

Saponaria ocymoidesRock SoapwortCol de la ChauSilene dioicaRed CampionCommon in woodlandSilene italicaItalian CatchflyCol de Bacchus

Silene latifoliaWhite CampionCommon in woodlandSilene vulgarisBladder CampionHerbouillyTelephium imperati-Presles

Chenopodiaceae Goose-foot Family

Chenopodium bonus-henricus Good King Henry Font d'Urle

Common name Scientific name Location **Rock-rose Family** Cistaceae Helianthemum apenninum Gigors White Rock-rose Helianthemum nummularium Common Rock-rose Presles H.oelandicum subsp. canum Les Merciers Hoary Rock-rose Convolvulaceae **Bindweed Family** Convolvulus arvensis Field Bindweed Presles Cuscuta europaeum Les Merciers Greater Dodder **Dogwood Family** Cornaceae Cornus sanguinea Dogwood Near Lans en Vercors Crassulaceae **Stonecrop Family** Sedum acre Biting Stonecrop Font d'Urle Sedum album White Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum dasyphyllum Fat Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum forsterianum Rock Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum sediforme Les Merciers Sedum sexangulare Tasteless Stonecrop Les Merciers Cucurbitaceae **Cucumber Family** Bryonia cretica White Bryony Presles **Teasel Family** Dipsacaceae Knautia arvensis Field Scabious Les Nonnieres Wood Scabious Les Merciers Knautia dipsacifolia **Heath family** Ericaceae Bearberry Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Font d'Urle Vaccinium myrtilis Bilberry Font d'Urle Euphorbiaceae Spurge Family Euphorbia amygdaloides Wood Spurge Herbouilly Euphorbia cyparissias Cypress Spurge Les Merciers Euphorbia helioscopia La Chapelle en Vercors

Fabaceae

Euphorbia verrucosa

Mercurialis perennis

Anthyllis montana
Anthyllis vulneraria agg
Astragalus depressus
Astragalus glycyphyllos
Astragalus monspessulanus
Coronilla scorpoides
Cytisophyllum sessilifolius
Dorycnium pentaphyllum
Hippocrepis comosa
Hippocrepis emerus
Laburnum anagyroides
Lathyrus setifolius
Lathyrus vernus

Sun Spurge

Dog's Mercury

Pea FamilyMountain Kidney-vetch

Kidney-vetch
Sprawling Milk-vetch
Wild Liquorice
False Vetch
Annual Scorpion Vetch
Sessile Broom
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Horseshoe Vetch
Laburnum
A Pea
Spring Vetchling

Les Merciers Font d'Urle Les Merciers Near Toutre Col de Bacchus

Hauts Plateaux Above Presies

Gigors
Presles
Gigors
Les Merciers
Presles
Common
Gigors
Herbouilly

Common name Scientific name Location Lotus alpinus Alpine Bird's-foot Trefoil Hauts Plateaux Lotus subbiflorus Hairy Bird's-foot Trefoil Chamaloc Medicago lupulina **Black Medick** Gorges du Furon Onobrychis arenaria a Sainfoin Les Merciers Onobrychis viciifolia Sainfoin Gigors Shrubby Restharrow Chamaloc Ononis fruticosa Common on roadsides Robinia pseudoacacia False Acacia Col de Bacchus Tetragonolobus maritimus Dragon's Teeth Trifolium campestris Hop Trefoil Presles Gigors Trifolium incarnatum Crimson Clover Trifolium montanum Mountain Clover Col de Bacchus Trifolium pratense **Red Clover** La Chapelle en Vercors Common Trifolium repens White Clover Vicia orobus Upright Vetch Gigors Vicia sativa subsp. sativa **Cultivated Vetch** Les Bruyeres Vicia sepium **Bush Vetch** Les Merciers Oak & Beech Family Fagaceae Fagus sylvatica Beech Herbouilly Quercus pubescens Downy Oak Presles Fumariaceae **Fumitory Family** Fumaria officinalis agg Common Fumitory Gigors Gentianaceae **Gentian Family** Narrow-leaved Gentian Vallee de Combau Gentiana angustifolia Gentiana clusii Clusius' Gentian Les Merciers Yellow Gentian Fonte d'Urle Gentiana lutea (leaves) Gentiana verna Spring Gentian Fonte d'Urle **Geranium Family** Geraniaceae Erodium cicutarium Common Stork's-bill La Chapelle en Vercors Geranium pyrenaicum Hedgerow Crane's-bill Col de la Machine Geranium robertianum Herb Robert La Chapelle en Vercors Geranium sylvaticum Wood Crane's-bill **Above Presles** Globulariaceae **Globularia Family** Globularia cordifolia Matted Globularia Font d'Urle Globularia nudicaulis Leafless-stemmed Globularia Hauts Plateaux Common Globularia Globularia punctata Vassieurx quarry Grossulariaceae **Gooseberry Family** Ribes alpinum Mountain Currant Gorges du Furon **Walnut Family** Juglandaceae Walnut Planted Juglans regia Lamiaceae **Dead-nettle Family** Acinos alpina Alpine Basil-thyme Les Merciers

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Gigors

Font d'Urle

Hauts Plateaux

Ground Pine

Pyramidal Bugle

Blue Bugle

Ajuga chamaepitys Ajuga genevensis

Ajuga pyramidalis

Common name Scientific name Location Above Presles Ajuga reptans Buale Yellow Archangel Above Presles Lamiastrum galeobdolon Lamium garganicum Large Red Dead-nettle Col de la Machine Col de Bacchus Lavandula officinalis Lavender Melittis melissophyllum **Bastard Balm** Presles Common on roadsides Salvia pratensis Meadow Clary Presles Stachys alopecuros Yellow Betony Thymus polytrichis Wild Thyme Presles Thymus vulgaris A Thyme Very Common Lentibulariaceae **Bladderwort Family** Pinguicula grandiflora Large-flowered Butterwort Vallee de Combau Flax Family Linaceae Linum perenne agg Perennial Flax Font d'Urle Loranthaceae **Mistletoe Family** Viscum album subsp. album Mistletoe Cirque d'Archiane S of the Col de Rousett Viscum album subsp. abietis Mistletoe Oleaceae **Olive Family** Above Presles Fraxinus excelsior Ash Orobanchaceae **Broomrape Family** Orobanche alba Thyme Broomrape Gigors Orobanche caryophyllacea Clove-scented Broomrape Cirque d'Archiane Orobanche gracilis Slender Broomrape Above Beaufort sur Gervanne Oxalidaceae **Wood-sorrel Family** Oxalis acetosella Wood-sorrel Les Merciers Papaveraceae **Poppy Family** Chelidonium majus **Greater Celandine** La Chapelle en Vercors Papaver rhoeas Corn Poppy Gigors Plantaginaceae **Plantain Family** Les Merciers Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Plantago media Hoary or Lamb's-tail Plantain Les Merciers Font d'Urle Plantago sempervirens Plumbaginaceae **Thrift Family** Mountain Thrift Hauts Plateaux Armeria maritima subsp. alpina **Milkwort Family** Polygalaceae Font d'Urle Polygala alpestris Mountain Milkwort Nice Milkwort Gigors Polygala nicaeensis Polygala vulgaris Common Milkwort **Neart Toutre** Polygonaceae **Knotweed Family** ??

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Les Byruyeres

Presles

Black Bindweed

Bistort

Sorrel

Fallopia convolvulus

Persicaria bistorta

Rumex acetosa

Scientific name Common name Location

Rumex scutatus French Sorrel Presles

Primulaceae Primrose Family

Lysimachia nummulariaCreeping JennyLes BruyeresPrimula elatiorOxlipLes BruyeresPrimula verisCowslipFont d'UrleSoldanella alpinaAlpine SnowbellFont d'Urle

Ranunculaceae Buttercup Family

Aconitum napellus (leaves)Common MonkshoodLes BruyeresAdonis annuaPheasant's-eyeGigors

Anemone ranunculoides Yellow Anemone Font d'Urle

Aquilegia atrataDark-flowered ColumbineNear St. Martin en VercorsAquilegia vulgarisColumbineNear St. Jean en Royans

Caltha palustris Kingcups Les Bruyeres

Clematis vitalba Old Man's Beard Above Beaufort sur Gervanne

Helleborus foetidus Stinking Hellebore Herbouilly Isopyrum thalictroides Rue-leaved Isopyrum above Presles Pulsatilla alpina Alpine Pasqueflower Hauts Plateaux Ranunculus aconitifolius Aconite-leaved Buttercup Les Merciers Ranunculus acris Meadow Buttercup Common Ranunculus arvensis Corn Buttercup Gigors

Ranunculus muricatus - Font d'Urle
Ranunculus pyrenaeus Pyrenean Buttercup Font d'Urle

Ranunculus trichophyllusThread-leaved Water-crowfootLes BruyeresThalictrum minusLesser Meadow RueLes MerciersTrollius europaeusGlobeflowerLes Bruyeres

Resedaceae Mignonette Family

Reseda lutea Wild Mignonette Presles

Rhamnaceae Buckthorn Family

Rhamnus alpinus Alpine Buckthorn Les Merciers
Rhamnus catharticus Buckthorn Presles

Rosaceae Rose Family

Alchemilla alpinaAlpine Lady's-mantleFont d'UrleAlchemilla glabraSmooth Lady's-mantlePresles

Alchemilla xanthochloraa Lady's-mantleGgorges du FuronAmelanchier ovalisJuneberryCol de la ChauCrataegus monogynaHawthornCirque d'Archiane

Fragaria moschata Hautbois Strawberry Herbouilly Geum montanum Alpine Avens Font d'Urle Les Bruyeres Geum rivale Water Avens Geum urbanum Wood Avens or Herb Bennet **Presles** Potentilla crantzii Alpine Cinquefoil Font d'Urle Potentilla erecta Tormentil Gigors

Potentilla reptans Creeping Cinquefoil La Chapelle en Vercors

Potentilla rupestrisRock CinquefoilHauts PlateauxPrunus aviumWild CherryLes MerciersPrunus mahalebSt. Lucie's CherryVassieux quarry

Rubus fruticosus agg Bramble Gigors

Common name Scientific name Location Les Merciers Rubus idaeus Raspberry Salad Burnet Font d'Urle Sanguisorba minor agg Sanguisorba officinalis **Great Burnet** Les Bruveres Sorbus aria agg Whitebeam Valchevriere Sorbus aucuparia Rowan Les Merciers Rubiaceae **Bedstraw Family** Asperula taurina Southern Woodruff Cruciata laevipes Crosswort La Chapelle en Vercors Galium aparine Cleavers Common Galium mollugo Hedge Bedstraw Les Merciers Galium odoratum Sweet Woodruff **Above Presles** Wild Madder Hauts Plateaux Rubia peregrina Sherardia arvensis Field Madder Gigors Salicaceae Willow & Poplar Family Populus tremula Aspen Les Merciers **Grey Willow** Salix cinerea Vassieux quarry Salix purpurea Purple Willow Les Bruveres Salix triandra Almond Willow Vallee de Combau Sandalwood Family Santalaceae Thesium alpinum Alpine Bastard Toadflax Les Merciers Saxifragaceae Saxifrage Family Chrysosplenium alternifolium Alternate-leaved Golden Saxifrage Gorges du Furon Saxifraga bulbifera **Bulbous Saxifrage** Font d'Urle S.exarata subsp. delphinensis a Musky Saxifrage Saxifraga granulata Meadow Saxifrage Font d'Urle Saxifraga oppositifolia Purple Saxifrage Font d'Urle Saxifraga paniculata Live-long Saxifrage Les Merciers Saxifraga rotundifolia Round-leaved saxifrage Les Merciers Saxifraga tridactylites Rue-leaved Saxifrage Col de la Machine Scrophulariaceae **Figwort Family** Antirrhinum latifolium Broad-leaved Snapdragon Menee Cymbalaria muralis Ivy-leaved Toadflax Pont en Royans Digitalis purpurea Foxglove Presles Col de la Chau Erinus alpinus Fairy Foxglove Weasel Snout Misopates orontium Gigors Rhinanthus angustifolius agg **Greater Rattle Presles** Scrophularia canina subsp. hoppii Alpine Figwort Les Merciers **Presles** Verbascum phlomoides Orange Mullein Veronica beccabunga **Brooklime** Les Bruyeres Germander Speedwell Veronica chamaedrys Woodlands Common Field Speedwell Veronica persica Gigors

La Chapelle en Vercors

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Presles

Thyme-leaved Speedwell

Lime Family

Small-leaved Lime

Veronica serpyllifolia

Tiliaceae

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Tilia cordata

Scientific name Common name Location

Thymelaeaceae Mezereon Family

Daphne cneorumGarland FlowerHauts PlateauxDaphne laureolaSpurge LaurelCol de BacchusDaphne mezereumMezereonFont d'Urle

Urticacae Nettle Family

Parietaria judaica Pellitory-of-the-Wall La Chapelle en Vercors

Urtica dioica Common Nettle Presles

Valerian Family

Centranthus ruberRed ValerianPont en RoyansValeriana dioicaMarsh ValerianLes BruyeresValeriana officinalisCommon ValerianCirque d'ArchianeValeriana tripterisThree-leaved ValerianHauts Plateaux

Valerianella locusta Common Cornsalad Gigors

Violaceae Violet Family

Viola arvensisField PansyGigorsViola calcarataLong-spurred PansyFont d'UrleViola reichenbachianaEarly Dog VioletHerbouillyViola rivinianaCommon Dog VioletHerbouillyViola tricolor subsp. subalpinaAlpine HeartseaseFont d'Urle

Vitaceae Vine Family

Vitis vinifera Common Vine Chamaloc

Liliidae

Cyperaceae Sedge Family

Carex caryophylleaSpring SedgePreslesCarex distichaBrown SedgeLes BruyeresCarex divulsaGrey SedgePresles

Carex flacca Glaucous Sedge N of Beaufort sur Gervanne

Carex paniculataGreat Tussock SedgeVallee de CombauCarex spicataSpiked SedgeCirque d'ArchianeScirpus sylvaticusWood ClubrushLes Bruyeres

Iridaceae Iris Family

Crocus albiflorus White Crocus Font d'Urle

Gladiolus italicus Field Gladiolus N of Beaufort sur Gervanne

Juncaceae Rush Family

Luzula luzuloides White Woodrush Hauts Plateaux

Lily Family

Allium ursinum Ramsons Roadsides Anthericum liliago St. Bernard's Lily **Presles** Chamaloc Aphyllanthes monspeliensis Blue Aphyllanthes Convallaria majalis Lily-of-the -Valley Hauts Plataeux Dog's-tooth Violet Font d'Urle Erythronium dens-canis Gagea fragifera (G.fistulosa) a Yellow Star of Bethlehem Font d'Urle Lilium martagon (leaves) Martagon Lily Les Merciers

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Scientific name Common name Location

Tassel Hyacinth Muscari comosum Gigors Font d'Urle Muscari neglectum Grape Hyacinth Narcissus poeticus Pheasant's-eye Daffodil Les Merciers Narcissus pseudonarcissus Wild Daffodil Font d'Urle Ornithogalum angustifolium Common Star of Bethlehem Cirque d'Archiane Presles Ornithogalum pyrenaicum Bath Asparagus Font d'Urle Paris quadrifolia Herb Paris Polygonatum multiflorum Solomon's Seal **Above Presles** Polygonatum odoratum Angular Solomon's Seal Col de Bacchus Polygonatum verticillatum Whorlled Solomon's Seal **Above Presles** Ruscus aculeatus Butcher's-broom Gigors Scilla bifolia Alpine Squill Font d'Urle Tulipa sylvestris subsp. sylvestris Hauts Plataeux Wild Tulip

Orchidaceae

Orchid Family Anacamptis pyramidalis Pyramidal Orchid **Presles** Cephalanthera damasonium White Helleborine Gigors **Near Toutre** Cephalanthera longifolia Narrow-leaved Helleborine Cypripedium calceolus Lady's Slipper Orchid Les Nonnieres Dactylorhiza majalis Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid Les Bruveres Elder-flowered Orchid Dactylorhiza sambucina (Pink) Font d'Urle Dactylorhiza sambucina (Yellow) Elder-flowered Orchid Font d'Urle Limodorum abortivum Violet Bird's-nest Orchid Gigors Bird's-nest Orchid Hauts Plateaux Neottia nidus-avis Neottia (Listera) ovata Twayblade **Near Toutre** Bee Orchid Ophrys apifera Gigors Ophrys (pseudoscolopax) linearis Gigors

Drome Bee Orchid Col de Bacchus Ophrys drumana* Ophrys fuciflora Late Spider Orchid **Near Toutre** Ophrys insectifera Fly Orchid **Near Toutre**

Orchis anthropophora Man Orchid La Chapelle en Vercors O.anthroporphora x O.simia a Hybrid Orchis Gigors Orchis mascula Early Purple Orchid Les Merciers Orchis militaris Military Orchid **Near Toutre** Orchis morio Green-winged Orchid Col de Bacchus Orchis ovalis an Early Purple Orchid Hauts Plateaux Pale-flowered Orchid Orchis pallens Herbouilly

Orchis purpurea Lady Orchid Hauts Plateaux Orchis simia Monkey Orchid La Chapelle en Vercors Spitzel's Orchid Vallee de Combau Orchis spitzelii Orchis tridentata **Toothed Orchid** Col de Bacchus Orchis tridentata x O.ustulata **Hybrid Orchis** Col de Bacchus Orchis ustulata **Burnt Orchid** Col de Bacchus

Platanthera bifolia Lesser Butterfly Orchid N of Beaufort sur Gervanne

Poaceae **Grass Family**

Alopecurus aequalis Orange Foxtail Les Bruyeres Aire Burcin - A48 Anisantha sterilis Barren Brome Anthoxanthum odoratum Sweet Vernal Grass Les Merciers

Briza media **Quaking Grass** N of Beaufort sur Gervanne **Upright Brome** Bromopsis erectus Vassieux quarry Bromus hordeaceus Soft Brome Les Merciers

Scientific name Common name Location

Dactylis glomerataCock's-footVassieux quarryFestuca arundinaceaTall FescueGorges du FuronHelictotrichon pratenseMeadow Oat-grassCommon

Helictotrichon pratenseMeadow Oat-grassCommonLolium perennePerennial Rye-grassCommon

Poa annua Annual Meadow-grass La Chapelle en Vercors

Poa bulbosa var. viviparaBulbous Meadow-grassLes MerciersSesleria caeruleaBlue Moor-grassFont d'Urle

Potamogetonaceae Pondweed Family

Groenlania densa Opposite-leaved Pondweed Les Bruyeres

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; H = Heard Only)

			May										
	Common name	Scientific name	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			
1	Hazel Grouse	Tetrastes bonasia				1							
2	Black Grouse	Lyrurus tetrix				3							
3	Mute Swan	Cygnus olor	12							2			
4	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos							4				
5	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus	1										
6	White Stork	Ciconia ciconia	1										
7	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	1		1		1			2			
8	European Honey Buzzard	Pernis apivorus							1				
9	Red Kite	Milvus milvus	1	1									
10	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	6							1			
11	Griffon Vulture	Gyps fulvus					17	14					
12	Short-toed Snake Eagle	Circaetus gallicus		2				2	1				
13	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	1										
14	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus	1				2						
15	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo	4	1			3	2	6	2			
16	Rough-legged Buzzard	Buteo lagopus		2									
17	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos				1							
18	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	1	3									
19	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	2	2		1	1	3	3				
20	Peregrine Falcon	F. peregrinus subsp. brookeri							1				
21	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra	1										
22	Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	15										
23	European Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	10										
24	Rock Dove (Feral)	Columba livia	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓			
25	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓	2			1	1	2	1			
26	European Turtle Dove	Streptopelia turtur						Н					
27	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	1	1			4		2	3			
28	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus			Н	Н	Н	Н	Н				
29	Eurasian Scops Owl	Otus scops	Н	1		Н	1	1	Н				
30	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba					1	2					
31	Common Swift	Apus apus		20	30	4	4	20	10	4			
32	Great-spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major		1	1	Н			3				
33	European Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis							Н	1			
34	Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio		1	2			4	1				
35	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius		2	2		2	1	4				
36	Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica	1	1	2	3	4	2	1	2			

						Ма	ay						
	Common name	Scientific name	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			
37	Alpine Chough	Pyrrhocorax graculus		50+				1					
38	Western Jackdaw	Corvus monedula	✓		6				4	4			
39	Rook	Corvus frugilegus	1							1			
40	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	✓	10	20	20	20	20	6	15			
41	Northern Raven	Corvus corax		1	2	1	2	Н	2				
42	Marsh Tit	Poecile palustris				5	1						
43	Willow Tit	Poecile montanus					2						
44	Coal Tit	Periparus ater		Н	4	4	4	Н	Н				
45	European Crested Tit	Lophophanes cristatus				2	2						
46	Great Tit	Parus major	Н	3	4	4	4	6	4				
47	Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus		1	1	1		1	2				
48	Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis		2									
49	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	1	2	1	3	7	1	2	2			
50	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris		2	10				8	2			
51	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum		10	10		10	4	20	10			
52	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita		Н	Н		Н	1	2	Н			
53	Western Bonelli's Warbler	Phylloscopus bonelli			1		Н	Н	Н				
54	Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla	Н	Н	2	Н	2	1	2	Н			
55	Common Whitethroat	Sylvia communis							1				
56	Common Firecrest	Regulus ignicapilla				2	Н	2	2	Н			
57	Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		Н				1	1	1			
58	Eurasian Nuthatch	Sitta europaea					1	2	2				
59	Short-toed Treecreeper	Certhia brachydactyla					1						
60	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	2		1		2	4	1	3			
61	Ring Ouzel	Turdus torquatus alpestris			1	2							
62	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	2	1	4	2	4	3	6	6			
63	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos			2	Н				Н			
64	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus				3		6		1			
65	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula	Н	Н	1	1	2	Н	1	Н			
66	Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos	Н					Н		Н			
67	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	1	6	4	3	6	4	6				
68	Common Redstart	Phoenicurus phoenicurus						1					
69	European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola			1		1	1					
70	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe		1									
71	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata							1				
72	White-throated Dipper	Cinclus cinclus	2						3	1			
73	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	√	6	6		6	12	6	12			
74	Rock Sparrow	Petronia petronia						5					
75	Dunnock	Prunella modularis				Н							
76	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea			1	1			5	3			
77	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba		3	4	1	2	2	6	4			
78	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris		1	•	i i	_	_		<u> </u>			
79	Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis				3							
80	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	Н	10	6	12	6	6	6	3			
81	European Serin	Serinus serinus	1	3	4	H	5	4	8	Н			
82	European Greenfinch	Carduelis chloris	H	2	1	1	1	2	2	 ''			
83	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis	11	8	4	2	4	4	4				
84	Citril Finch	Carduelis citrinella				5	_ -	_ -	-7				
85	Common Linnet	Carduelis cannabina		3									
86	Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra	-			8	Н						

			May							
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87	Eurasian Bullfinch	Pyrrhula pyrrhula				4		Н		
88	Corn Bunting	Emberiza calandra						6		
89	Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella		2	3		Н	Н	Н	Н
90	Cirl Bunting	Emberiza cirlus					1			

Butterflies

1	Swallowtail	Papilio machaon					✓		✓	
2	Scarce Swallowtail	Iphiclides podalirius					✓	✓	✓	
3	Black-veined White	Aporia crataegi						✓		
4	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
5	Clouded Yellow	Colias crocea				✓	✓			
6	Berger's Clouded Yellow	Colias alfacariensis		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
7	Brimstone	Gonepteryx rhamni					✓		✓	
8	Cleopatra	Gonepteryx cleopatra					✓			
9	Wood White	Leptidea sinapis					✓		✓	
10	Green Hairstreak	Callophrys rubi					✓		✓	
11	Provencal Short-tailed Blue	Everes alcetas							✓	
12	Little Blue	Cupido minimus					✓	✓	✓	
13	Silver-studded Blue	Plebejus argus					✓			
14	Brown Argus	Aricia agrestis					✓			
15	Mazarine Blue	Cyaniris semiargus					✓			
16	Adonis Blue	Lysandra bellargus						✓	✓	
17	Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus				✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	Duke of Burgundy Fritillary	Hamearis lucina			✓		✓			
19	Large Tortoiseshell	Nymphalis polychloros						✓		
20	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta			✓					
21	Small Tortoiseshell	Aglais urticae		✓	✓			✓	✓	
22	Weaver's Fritillary	Clossiana dia		✓						
23	Spotted Fritillary	Melitaea didyma						✓		
24	Small Heath	Coenonympha pamphilus	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	
25	Wall Brown	Lasiommata megera						✓		
26	Northern Wall Brown	Lasiommata petropolitana		✓	✓		✓			
27	Grizzled Skipper	Pyrgus malvae							✓	
28	Dingy Skipper	Erynnis tages			✓				✓	

Moths (C = caterpillar; B = Bivouac)

	Micro:							
1	Rush Veneer	Nomophila noctuella				✓		
2	Thyme Plume Moth	Merrifieldia leucodactyla				✓		
	Macro:							
1	Lackey	Malacosoma neustria		С	С			
2	Tau Emperor	Aglia tau	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Lace Border	Scopula ornata				✓		
4	Grass Rivulet	Perizoma albulata			✓			
5	Laitticed Heath	Semiothisa clathrata			✓	✓		
6	Speckled Yellow	Pseudopanthera macularia		✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	Common Heath	Ematurga atomaria					✓	
8	Hummingbird Hawk-moth	Macroglossum stellatarum	✓					
9	Narrow-bordered Bee Hawk-moth	Hemaris tityus			✓			

			May							
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10	Swallow Prominent	Pheosia tremula	✓							
11	Pine Processionary	Thaumetopoea pityocampa					В		В	
12	Mother Shipton	Callistege mi				✓	✓	✓		
13	Burnet Companion	Euclidia glyphica					✓	✓	✓	

Other Invertebrates (LO = leader only)

1	May Fly	Ephemeroptera sp					✓			
2	Wart-biter Cricket	Decticus verrucivorus					· /			
3	Bog Bush-cricket	Metrioptera brachyptera					_	1		
4	Dark Bush-cricket	Pholidoptera griseoaptera					✓	▼		
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5	Field Cricket	Gryllus campestris	П	Н	H	V	П			
6	Forest Bug	Pentatoma rufipes			V					
7	Fire Bug	Pyrrhocoris apterus							LO	
8	Common Pond Skater	Gerris lacustris			✓		✓		✓	
9	Froghopper (Red & Black)	Ceropis vulnerata			✓					
10	Ascalaphid	Libelloides coccajus		✓			✓	✓		
11	Alder Fly	Sialis lutaria					✓			
12	Scorpion Fly	Panorpa meridionalis							✓	
13	Crane-fly sp.	Tipula sp.			✓				✓	
14	St. Mark's Fly	Bibio marci			✓					
15	Bee-fly	Bombylius major		✓					✓	
16	Velvet Ant	Mutilla europaea		✓						
17	Wood Ant	Formica rufa			✓	✓	✓		✓	
18	European Paper Wasp	Polistes gallicus		✓						
19	Hornet	Vespa crabro						✓		
20	Carpenter Bee	Xylocopa sp.						✓	✓	
21	Honey Bee	Apis millifera		✓			✓	✓	✓	
22	White-tailed Bumblebee	Bombus lucorum			✓					
23	Buff-tailed Bumblebee	Bombus terrestris		✓						
24	Common Carder Bee	Bombus pascuorum					✓		✓	
25	Red-tailed Bumble Bee	Bombus lapidarius				✓	✓		✓	
26	Cuckoo Bee	Bombus vestalis							✓	
27	Cock Chafer	Melolontha melolontha		✓			✓	✓	✓	
28	Rose Chafer	Cetonia aurata							√	
29	Soldier Beetle	Cantharis rustica					✓	✓		
30	Seven-spot Ladybird	Coccinella 7-punctata		✓					✓	
31	Bloody-nosed Beetle	Timarcha tenebricosa			✓					
32	Common Centipede	Cryptops hortensis							✓	
33	Green Spider	Micrommata virescens					✓			

Mammals

1	Daubenton's Bat	Myotis daubentonii				✓				
2	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes								✓
3	Eurasian Badger	Meles meles				L		L		
4	Roe Deer	Capreolus capreolus	✓							✓
5	Chamois	Rupicapra rupicapra					✓			LO
6	Red Squirrel	Sciurus vulgaris				✓		✓	✓	✓
7	Alpine Marmot	Marmota marmota		✓		✓				
8	Bank Vole	Clethrionomys glareolus			LO					

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	Common name	Scientific name	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9	Brown Hare	Lepus europaeus		✓						
10	Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus	✓							✓

Amphibians & Reptiles

1	Edible-Pool Frog hybrid	Rana esculenta-lessonae		✓				
2	Western Green Lizard	Lacerta bilineata				✓		
3	Common Wall Lizard	Podarcis muralis			✓		✓	
4	Grass Snake	Natrix natrix					✓	

Gastropods & Molluscs

1	Large Black/Orange Slug	Arion ater		✓			✓	
2	Roman Snail	Helix pomatia		✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Brown-lipped Banded Snail	Cepaea nemoralis	✓	✓			✓	

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