Sark in Style

Naturetrek Tour Report

2nd - 7th May 2022







Dixcart Valley



Great Green Bush Cricket on Dandelion

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Day 1 Monday 2nd May

The Gatwick flight carrying three of our group arrived at Guernsey airport on schedule and although the Manchester flight was a little late, there was still plenty time to drive to the harbour for the 15.10 sailing to Sark aboard the Corsaire de Sercq. We headed to the upper deck and were rewarded with our first birds of the trip, three species of gull, Shag and our first auk, a Razorbill.

Sark is one of the few places in the world where cars are banned, so tractors, bicycles or 'shanks's pony' are the order of the day. On our arrival at Maseline Harbour we headed through the tunnel and boarded the tractor pulled 'toast rack' to be transported in true Sark style to the top of Harbour Hill. After a pleasant walk along some of Sark's attractive lanes, we reached La Coupee, a causeway which joins Big and Little Sark. As we crossed onto Little Sark, we were able to take in the stunning sea views to either side, as well as the Sand Martin, House Martin and Swallow swooping up and down the cliffs. Continuing our walk towards La Sablonnerie Hotel, a Whitethroat and numerous Blackcaps were heard singing. Just before arriving at our hotel a beautiful Yellow Wagtail was spotted feeding amongst a herd of cows. All the group were soon settled into their rooms, and we met at 7pm in the hotel lounge to discuss the week's itinerary, before enjoying our first delicious evening meal.

Day 2 Tuesday 3rd May

Today was our first full day and with the forecast for light winds and sunshine it was the perfect opportunity to join George and Morgan Guille for a trip around Sark in their boat the Non Pareil. After a leisurely walk from our hotel on Little Sark, we headed through Big Sark to Creux, the original fishing port, from where we set off at 11am. While exploring the bays and coves, Morgan kept up an entertaining and informative commentary, providing an insight into the island's history and places of interest - although some of the 'easy' cliff paths he pointed out seemed more suitable for mountain goats than humans!

With the seabird breeding season in full swing, we had excellent views of Guillemots as we passed Les Autelets, their main breeding site just off the west coast. Numbers have been increasing in recent years and they have now spread to Les Burons on the east coast. Razorbills aren't as numerous as Guillemots, but we still saw approximately 20 dotted around in small groups. A number of Peregrine Falcons, a breeding species, could be seen on and around the rocky stacks, on the lookout for any unwary birds! Puffins have returned to breed on L'Etac, off Little Sark, but we were only able to spot two as most were probably out at sea fishing or sitting on eggs. We spotted an Atlantic Grey seal, bobbing about in the water and saw good numbers of Shag, also Fulmar and three gull species, Herring, Greater Black-backed and Lesser Black-backed. A colour-ringing programme targeting the latter species, and carried out by members of the Channel Island Bird-Ringing Scheme [CIBRS], has highlighted the interesting fact that young birds go as far North Africa to over winter but adults only as far as the Iberian Peninsula.

After a fabulous trip, we arrived back at Creux, where Morgan arranged for the 'toast rack' to take us up Harbour Hill. Strolling along The Avenue, Sark's main street, we spotted Nova's Bistro, which seemed an excellent place for a late lunch, eaten in the garden. Arriving back on Little Sark, we explored the area around the hotel before meeting again at 7pm to discuss the day.

Day 3

Wednesday 4th May

The morning started with thick mist, although this soon burned off to leave another sunny day. The moth trap, set over night near the old silver mines, yielded the unexpected bonus of a beautiful female Emperor moth, a species more often seen by day than caught in a light trap. In all, ten species were recorded to add to the nine found on Tuesday. Clear skies and low night-time temperatures meant catches were low throughout the trip, but tour leader Trevor was able to show species such as Marbled Coronet, whose food plant is Sea Campion - no shortage of that on Little Sark – and a Turnip, which was probably a migrant. Trevor had also set mist nets ahead of the much-anticipated bird ringing demonstration. He is a qualified bird ringer, with over 40 years' experience, and the group watched with fascination as the birds were expertly ringed, winged and weighed, before being released. [Blackcap, male and female, Chiffchaff, Great Tit, Robin, Blackbird, male and female, Dunnock.] The records will be passed to the Channel Islands Bird-Ringing Scheme. Trevor was also able to give details on migration strategies and explained how much data can be noted from a bird in the hand, as he checked for fat and muscle on the known migrants (Chiffchaff, Blackcap), and for brood patches on the resident birds.

The group expressed an interest in seeing the dolmen which Morgan had mentioned on yesterday's boat trip, so after the nets were taken down, we headed east along the path, crossing some fields until we reached the magnificent 3,000-year-old lichen-encrusted megalithic tomb, more correctly called a 'passage grave'. After studying the grave and the Lichens, we then retraced our steps and took the path to Venus Headland, where the sun had encouraged good numbers of insects to make an appearance. Notable among them were Tiger Beetles, which are an amazing, iridescent green, Common Blue butterflies, which were just emerging; Yellow-legged Mining Bees and Hairy Footed Flower Bees. Lunch then beckoned, so we headed back towards the tea garden next to our hotel where we enjoyed delicious sandwiches and as well as some very welcome liquid refreshment.

After lunch we set off passed the silver mines, remnants of a failed venture in the 1800s, following the path in a westerly direction. (It seems likely that the chimneys still standing today and originally thought to be for ventilation, were in fact used to discharge smoke from the coal-fired boilers.) We were soon rewarded with excellent views of Green Hairstreak, one or two even settling long enough for us to take photos. Continuing on, accompanied by the 'kraa-kraa' of Raven and the scent of coconut from the Gorse, we stopped on another small headland where we found, among other plants, Lesser Trefoil and Mossy Stonecrop, the latter looking like small, bright red caterpillars. We were also lucky to see a Stonechat song flighting before landing on the top of a low growing bush, presenting another excellent photo opportunity. Passing fields of Bluebells and with views of Guernsey to the west, we came up to Duval Farm and carriage park and then back to our hotel for a well-deserved rest before dinner.

Day 4

Thursday 5th May

Today was our first spent exploring Big Sark, and after crossing La Coupee we headed along to the Vauroque Crossroads passing Beauregard Pond, where we added Moorhen to our bird list, before turning left towards Pilcher Monument, erected in memory of J G Pilcher, a London oil merchant lost at sea off Sark in 1868. Below the monument there was a patch of low growing turf so it was time to get down on hands and knees; well worth the effort though, as we spotted Trailing St John's Wort, Sea Mouse-ear, Common Mouse-ear and Smooth Cat's-ear. Butterflies, including Common Blue and Wall Brown were everywhere, enjoying the sunshine, as were we.

Walking back along the grassy track, the Oxeye Daisies and Hogweed growing along side it, were a magnet for insects. We identified the wonderfully named Dark Gorse Piercer moth, and a number of Shieldbugs – Dock, Cinnamon and Bronze. We also saw Little-Robin [Geranium purpureum] much scarcer than its relative Herb Robert; the two can be easily separated by looking at the stamens as those of Little Robin are covered in bright yellow pollen.

A short walk took us to the Gouliot Headland, a RAMSAR site since 2007. The Bluebells and Primroses, which carpet the area from early spring, were still much in evidence. As we continued walking, the terrain changed as did the flora, and we found Buck's Horn Plantain, aptly named as the leaves have little 'horns', Sand Spurrey, with its pretty pale pink flowers, and Portland Spurge, with its yellowish-green, triangular shaped bracts. Changing Forget-me-not could also be seen all over the headland. It is a fascinating plant, only a few inches tall and looking like a shepherd's crook; the tiny flowers change from white to yellow, sometimes even blue or pink, as the 'crook' unfurls, hence the name. We were delighted to see our first Speckled Yellow, [a day-flying moth not found in the rest of the Bailiwick] and as we headed back, Sandy and Lesley were excited to spot the only Small Heath of the trip.

After another delicious lunch, this time eaten in the garden of Fleur du Jardin, we set off to look for orchids in the narrow, wet valley below La Tour. Unfortunately, only a few leaves were found, but the valley was awash with Bluebells, and the little tortrix moth, Bluebell Conch, could be seen everywhere. As the rest of the party headed back to the hotel, our leaders set off to Dixcart Bay, where they set traps among the boulders and shingle, hoping to catch the rare red-data listed Atlantic Scaly Cricket on the next high tide.

After another wonderful dinner, and armed with bat detectors, we headed out into the hotel grounds in the hope of recording some bat species. Two Common Pipistrelle bats were seen hunting for insects before the chilly air sent us back inside to enjoy the roaring fire in the lounge, specially stoked for us by our kindly waitress!

Day 5 Friday 6th May

Today was again spent on Big Sark, so after crossing La Coupee, we headed east along the cliff path, followed for part of the way by a friendly cat, nicknamed Charlie, due to his resemblance to Charlie Chaplin! We were soon spotting things of interest, including the caterpillar of the Five-spot Burnet. Wall Browns were again much in evidence, as were Speckled Wood. *Allium triquetrum*, referred to locally as Wild Garlic, lined the path and Trevor explained that it had become a problem, as if left, out-competed the Bluebell on the sunny fringes. Along the path we spotted several clumps of Smith's Pepperwort, a member of the mustard family, in between swathes of Red Campion. With Whitethroat and Blackcap singing their hearts out on either side, we continued down into Dixcart Valley where we found a sprawling patch of Bittersweet, also known as Woody Nightshade, with a rather worn Peacock enjoying the nectar produced by the beautiful purple and yellow flowers. Arriving at the beach, a mix of sand, shingle and boulders, we walked under the rock arch to where the traps had been set the night before. We were not disappointed, finding about 120 Atlantic Scaly Crickets, ranging in size from second instar up to seventh or eighth. Most were too small to be assigned a sex, but one or two were showing signs of an ovipositor, and were therefore female.

Heading back up the valley, a party of Long-tailed Tits, a new species for the trip, entertained us with their antics, and a Firecrest was heard singing, one of several recorded during our stay.

Our next stop was the Hog's Back, a ridge separating Dixcart from Derrible Bay. During the German occupation of the Channel Islands in World War II, it was the scene of Operation Basalt, when a small British raiding party landed on Sark, and information plaques can be seen along the route. Arriving at the end of the path we enjoyed stunning views of Little Sark to the south, our base during this trip. Study of the abundant Oxeye Daisies revealed a variety of insects including Plum Tortrix, and the bug *Trapezonotus ullirchi*, a species rare in the UK, but often associated with this plant on cliffs. Hundreds of St Mark's Fly could be seen dancing in the breeze, soon to become a welcome snack for migrating Swallows, perhaps! Leaving the cliff path behind, we headed up Rue Des Laches, where two lucky group members spotted a Garden Warbler, another first for the trip. After lunch we headed to La Seigneurie Gardens, one of the most enchanting in the Channel Islands, and RHS recommended. Though small, its sheltering walls provide a frost-free haven and it is home to many plants that can only survive under glass in other parts of the British Isles. We even added one or two wild plants to our list, including Greater Celandine. On the way back to the hotel, a stop at 'Caragh Chocolates' which produces handmade artisan chocolates, was a treat not to be missed.

Day 6

Saturday 6th May

Sadly, today it was time to pack and ensure our guests made the mid-morning ferry back to Guernsey, some to continue their holiday on that island and others to get connecting flights back to the UK. But there was no slacking, as a final bird, Sparrowhawk, was added to the trip list at the bottom of Harbour Hill. This had been a wonderful trip with stunning wildlife, amazing weather, brilliant views, and delightful people. We certainly made the most of our time, with lots of laughs along the way.

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Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

I = introduced		May 22						
Common name	Scientific name	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	✓	√	✓	✓	√	√	
Common Pheasant - I	Phasianus colchicus	✓	√	√	✓	✓	√	
Common Swift	Apus apus		√					
Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus		Н					
Rock Dove	Columba livia	√	✓	√	√	√	√	
Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓	✓	√	√	√	√	
Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto		✓	√	√	√	√	
Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus				✓		√	
Eurasian Oystercatcher	Haematopus ostralegus	√	✓	√	√	√	√	
Great Black-backed Gull	Larus marinus	√	√	√	√	√	√	
European Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Common Guillemot	Uria aalge	√	√				√	
Razorbill	Alca torda	√	√				√	
Atlantic Puffin	Fratercula arctica		√					
Northern Fulmar	Fulmarus glacialis		· ✓	√	/	/		
Northern Gannet	Morus bassanus	√	•				√	
Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo		√				√	
European Shag	Gulosus aristotelis	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus		· ·		V		√	
Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo	√	√	√	✓	√	√	
Barn Owl	Tyto alba	V	V	V	Н	V		
Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus		√		✓	√		
Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica	✓	√	√	√	√	√	
Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	√	√	√	√	
Northern Raven	Corvus corax	√	✓ /	√	√	√	√	
Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus	V	✓ ✓	V	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	
Great Tit	Parus major	√	✓ ✓	√	✓	✓	✓ ✓	
Sand Martin	Riparia riparia	✓ ✓	V	✓ ✓	√	√		
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	✓ ✓	√	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓		
Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum			V		V	√	
	Aegithalos caudatus	√	√		√	,		
Long-tailed Tit Willow Warbler						√ √		
	Phylloscopus trochilus	,	,	,	,			
Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Garden Warbler	Sylvia borin	,				√	ļ ,	
Common Whitethroat	Curruca communis	✓	✓	√	√	√	√	
Dartford Warbler	Curruca undata	,		√		,	ļ.,	
Common Firecrest	Regulus ignicapilla	√		√		√	√	
Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	✓	√	√	√	√	√	
Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	✓	√	√	√	√	✓	
European Robin	Erithacus rubecula	✓	✓	√	√	✓	✓	
European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola		✓	√	√			
Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe			√	√	√		
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Dunnock	Prunella modularis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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Common name	Scientific name	2	3	4	5	6	7
Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava	✓					
Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Rock Pipit	Anthus petrosus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Greenfinch	Chloris chloris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	√
European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	√

Mammals

MAMMALS

Atlantic Grey Seal Halichoerus grypus
Common Pipistrelle Pipistrellus pipistrellus
European Rabbit Oryctolagus cuniculus

Black Rat Rattus rattus

Hedgehog Erinaceus europeaus
Lesser White-toothed Shrew Crocidura suaveolens

Lepidotera

		May 2022						
Common name	Scientific name	2	3	4	5	6	7	
BUTTERFLIES								
Large White	Pieris brassicae			√	√	√	√	
Small White	Pieris rapae		√	√	√	√	√	
Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas			√				
Green Hairstreak	Callophrys rubi			√		√		
Holly Blue	Celastrina argiolus	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus		√	√	√	√	√	
Painted Lady	Vanessa carduii					√		
Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta	✓	√	√	√	√	√	
Peacock	Inachis io		√			√		
Small Tortoiseshell	Aglais urticae	√						
Small Heath	Coenonympha pamphilus			√				
Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Wall Brown	Lasiommata megera	✓	✓	√	√	√	√	
MOTHS								
	Acleris holmiana							
Bright-line Brown-eye	Lacanobia oleracea			√	√			
Brimstone Moth	Opisthograptis luteolata	√		√	√	√		
Brown-tail - larval nest	Euproctis chrysorrhoea		√	√	√	√		
Five-spot Burnet larvae	Zygaena trifolii	√			√	√		
Heart & Dart	Agrotis exclamationis			√	√			
	Hedya pruniana					√		
Lackey - larval nest	Malacosoma neustria		√					
Minor Agg	Oligia strigilis agg.	√		√	√			
Oak Eggar - larvae	Lasiocampa quercus			√		√		
Silver-barred Sable	Pyrausta cingulata				√			
Short-cloaked Moth	Nola cucullatella				√			
Vine's Rustic	Hoplodrina ambigua			√				

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Common name	Scientific name	2	3	4	5	6	7
Common Quaker	Orthosia cerasi	√			√	√	
White-point	Mythimna albipuncta	√	√	√	√	√	
Rusty Dot	Udea ferrugalis	√	√	√	√		
Early Grey	Xylocampa areola	√	√	√	√	√	
Lychnis	Hadena bicruris	√	√	√	√		
Light Brown Apple Moth	Epiphyas postvittana	√					
White Ermine	Spilosoma lubricipeda	√			√		
Marbled Coronet	Hadena confusa	√	√	√	√		
Cinnabar	Tyria jacobaeae			√			
Turnip	Agrotis segetum	√					
The Shears	Hada plebeja			√			
Tawny Shears	Hadena perplexa perplexa	√	√	√	√		
Emperor	Saturnia pavonia		√				
Muslin	Diaphora mendica	√	√	√	√		
Flame Shoulder	Ochropleura plecta	√	√	√			
Oak Tree Pug	Eupithecia dodoneata			√			
Shuttle -shaped Dart	Agrotis puta	√	√	√	√		
Cocksfoot Moth	Glyphipterix simpliciella			√	√	√	
Bluebell Conch	Hysterophora maculosana				√	√	
Narrow-winged Grey	Eudonia angustea				√		
The Dark Gorse Peircer	Grapholita internana			√	√	√	
Golden Pygmy	Stigmella aurella mine				√		
Grey Gorse Piercer	Cydia uliciteana	√	√	√	√	√	√
White Plume Moth	Pterophorus pentadactyla					√	
Common Bagworm - larval case	Psyche casta					√	
Speckled Yellow	Pseudopanthera macularia			√		√	
	Incurvaria masculella						
Garden Tiger (Caterpillar)	Arctia caja			√			

Scientific name

Other insects

Common name OTHER INSECTS

Field Grasshopper Chorthippus brunneus Great Green Bush-cricket Tettigonia viridissima

Atlantic Scaly Cricket Pseudomogoplistes squamiger

Rose Chafer Cetonia aurata
Wasp Beetle Clytus arietis

Sexton Beetle Necrophorus humator
Cockchafer Melolontha melolontha
Oil Beetle Meloe proscarabaeus
Rose Chafer Cetonia aurata

Tiger Beetle Cicendela campastre
Swollen-thighed Beetle Oedemera nobilis
Dor Beetle Geotrupes stercorarius

Agrypnus murinus
Clock Beetle Preostichus madidus
Kugel's Clock Beetle Poecilus kugelanni
Wasp Beetle Clytus arietus

Seven Spot Ladybird Coccinella septempunctata
Common Carder Bee Bombus pascuorum

Garden Bumblebee Bombus hortorum

Buff-tailed Bee Bombus terrestris
Red-tailed Bee Bombus lapidarius
Davies' Mining Bee Colletes daviesanus
Honey Bee Apis mellifera
Tawny Mining Bee Andrena fulva

Hairy-footed Flower bee Anthophora plumipes
Red Mason Bee Osmia bicornis

Yellow-legged Mining Bee

Andrena flavipes
Ashy-headed mining Bee

Andrena cineraria

Crane Fly (sp)

Early Bumblebee Bombus pratorum
Tawny Cockroach Ectobius pallidus
Lesser Earwig Labia minor
St Mark's Fly Bibio marci
Bramble Sawfly Arge cyanocrocea
Figwort sawfly (poss) Tenthredo agg

Hoverfly Chrysotoxum festivum
Common Wasp Vespula vulgaris

Yellow Dung Fly Scathophaga stercoraria
Speckled Bush-cricket Leptophyes punctatissima

Cinnamon Bug

Dock Bug

Bronze Shieldbug

Dark Edged Bee-fly

Corizus hyoscyami

Coreus marginatus

Troilus luridus

Bombylius major

OTHER

Pill Woodlouse Armadillidium vulgare

Arachnids

Orb Web Spider

Crab Spider

Crab Spider

Crab Spider

Misumena vatia

Nursery Web Spider

Zebra Spider (prob)

Woodlouse Spider

False Widow Spider

Metellina segmentata

prob Diaea dorsata

Misumena vatia

Pisaura mirabilis

Salticus agg

Dysdera crocata

Steatoda nobilis

Xysticus cristatus

Plants

Scientific Name Common Name Location

TRUE FERNS

PLANTS

LEPTOSPORANGIATE FERNS

AspleniaceaeSpleenwort FamilyAsplenium scolopendriumHart's-tongue FernAsplenium adiantum-nigrumBlack Spleenwort

Dennstaeditiaceae Bracken Family

Pteridium aquilinum Bracken

GYMNOSPERMS

Pinaceae

Pinus radiata

CONIFERS

Pine Family

Monterey Pine

Apiaceae Carrot Family

Scientific Name

Crithmum maritimum
Daucus carota

Heracleum sphondylium

Araliaceae

Hedera hibernica

Asteraceae

Achillea millefolium Bellis perennis Cirsium vulgare

Cirsium vuigare
Cirsium arvense
Hypochoeris radicata
Leucanthemum vulgare
Senecio jacobaea
Sonchus oleraceus
Taraxacum agg.

Helminthotheca echioides Erigeron karvinskianus

Brassicaceae

Raphanus raphanistrum ssp. maritimum

Campanulaceae

Jasione montana

Caprifoliacae

Lonicera periclymenum

Valerianella locusta

Caryophyllaceae

Silene dioica

Silene uniflora (vulgare ssp maritima)

Stellaria graminea
Chenopodiaceae

Beta vulgaris subsp. maritima

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia sepium

Crassulaceae

Umbilicus rupestris Sedum anglicum

Crassula tillaea

Euphorbiaceae

Euphorbia peplus Euphorbia portlandica

Mercurialis annua

Fabaceae

Lotus corniculatus

Common Name Location

Rock Samphire Wild Carrot Hogweed

Ivy Family

Atlantic Ivy

Daisy Family

Yarrow Daisy

Spear Thistle
Creeping Thistle
Common Cat's-ear
Ox-eye Daisy
Common Ragwort
Smooth Sow-thistle
Dandelion group
Bristly Ox-tongue

Cabbage Family

St.Peter Port Daisy

Sea Radish

Bellflower Family

Sheep's-bit

Honeysuckle Family

Honeysuckle

Common Cornsalad

Pink Family

Red Campion Sea Campion Lesser Stitchwort

Fat-hen Family

Sea Beet

Bindweed Family

Hedge Bindweed

Stonecrop Family

Navelwort

English Stonecrop Mossy Stonecrop

Spurge Family

Petty Spurge Portland Spurge Annual Mercury

Pea Family

Bird's-foot Trefoil

Scientific Name

Medicago lupulina Trifolium pratense Trifolium repens Ulex europaeus

Vicia sativa Cytisus scoparius ssp maritimus

Fabaceae

Lotus pedunculatus

GeraniaceaeEroium cicutarium
Geranium robertianum

Lamiaceae

Glechoma hederacea Prunella vulgaris Stachys sylvatica Teucrium scorodonia

Teucrium scorodonia Thymus polytrichus Senecio sylvaticus Lamium purpureum Clinopodium nepeta

Iridaceae Iris pseudacorus

Oleaceae

Fraxinus excelsior Ligustrum vulgare

OrobnachaceaeOrobanche hederae

Plantaginaceae Plantago lanecolata Plantago maritima Plantago major

Plumbaginaceae

Armeria maritima

Polygonaceae Rumex acetosa Rumex acetosella

Poaceae Briza maxima

PrimulaceaeAnagallis arvensis

Ranunculaceae

Common Name Location

Black Medick Red Clover White Clover Gorse

Common Vetch Broom, Prostrate

Clover Family

Greater birdsfoot Trefoil

Geranium Family Common Stork's-bill Herb Robert

Dead-nettle Family

Ground Ivy Selfheal

Hedge Woundwort Wood Sage Wild Thyme Heath Groundsel Red dead Nettle

Lesser Calamint

Iris Family Yellow Flag Iris

Olive Family

Ash Wild Privet

Broomrape FamilyIvy leaved Broomrape

Plantain Family
Ribwort Plantain
Sea Plantain
Greater Plantain

Sea-lavender Family

Thrift

Knotweed Family Common Sorrel Sheeps Sorrel

GrassesQuaking Grass

Primrose Family
Scarlet Pimpernel

Buttercup Family

Scientific Name

Ranunculus repens

Common Name
Creeping Buttercup

Location

Rosaceae

Crataegus monogyna Rosa pimpinellifolia Rosa canina Prunus spinosa Rubus fruticosus

Hawthorn Burnet Rose Dog Rose Blackthorn

Rose Family

Rubiaceae

Galium aparine Galium mollugo

SalicaceaePopulus alba

Willow Family White Poplar

Solanaceae

Solanum dulcamara

Scrophulariaceae Scrophularia nodosa Scrophularia scorodonia

UrticaceaeParietaria judaica
Urtica dioica

Valerianaceae Centranthus ruber

Veronicaceae Cymbalaria muralis Veronica chamaedrys

Asparagaceae

Hyacinthoides non-scripta Ruscus aculeatus

Poaceae

Phragmites australis

IridaceaIris foetidissima

Bedstraw Family

Cleavers

Bramble

Hedge Bedstraw

Potato Family

Bittersweet

bottom of Dixcart Valley

Figworts Family

Common Figwort
Balm-leaved Figwort

Nettle Family

Pellitory-of-the-wall Stinging Nettle

Valerian Family Red Valerian

Speedwell Family

Ivy-leaved Toadflax Germander Speedwell

Asparagus Family

Bluebell

Butcher's-broom

Grass Family

Common Reed

Iris Family

Stinking Iris

Additional species

Sonchus asper

Prickly Sow-thistle

Scientific Name **Common Name** Location

Borago officianalis Borage Lunaria annua Honesty

Convolvulus arvensis Field Bindweed

Trifolium subterraneum Subterranean Clover Dove's-foot Cranesbill

Geranium molle

Geranium purpureum Little Robin La Fregondee, Hog's

Cerastium glomeratum Sticky-mouse ear Common Sorrel Rumex acetosa Asplenium obovatum Lanceolate Fern

Athyrium filix-femina Lady fern

Lords and Ladies Arum maculatum Smyrnium olusatrum Alexanders

Calluna vulgaris Ling

Senecio vulgaris Common groundsel

Lavatera arborea Tree Mallow

Procumbent Yellow Oxalis corniculata

Sorrel

Fumaria muralis Common ramping

fumitory

Rumex obtusifolius Broad -leaved Dock

Primula vulgaris Primrose

Ranunculus ficaria

Oxalis articulata

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Ranunculus bulbous **Bulbous Buttercup** Veronica hederifolia Ivy-leaved

> Speedwell Lesser Celandine Pink Sorrel

Viola riviniana Common Dog Violet

Digitalis purpuea Foxglove Lousewort Pedicularis sylvatica Sambucus nigra Elder

Winter Heliotreope Petasites fragrans Allium triquestrum Three-cornered Garlic Cochlearia danica Danish Scurvy Grass

Fennel Foeniculum vulgare Trifolium dubius Lesser trefoil

Dactylorhiza maculata Heath-spotted Orchid Greater Birds-foot Lotus pedunculatus

Juncus effuses Soft Rush

Common Rest-harrow Ononis repens Quaking Grass Briza maxima

Salix cinerea **Grey Willow** Quercus robur English Oak

Quercus ilex Holm/ Evergreen Oak Parietaria judaica Pellitory of the Wall Cerastium deffusum Sea Mouse-ear Spergularia rubra Sand Spurrey Rumex sanguineus Wood Dock

Hypericum humifusum Trailing St John's Wort

Lepidium heterophyllum Smith's pepperwort Thyme-leaved Veronica serpyllifolia Speedwell

Cerastium fontanum Common Mouse-ear

Linum bienne Pale Flax Euphorbia peplis Petty Spurge War memorial

Well, La Sablonnerie

Leaves only, Creux Belet

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Pilcher

Creux Belet

Scientific Name Common Name Location

Hypochaeris glabraSmooth Cat's-earGlebionis segetumCorn MarigoldGnaphalium undulatumCape Cudweed

Luzula campestris Field-wood Rush/ Good Friday Grass

Stachys arvensisField WoundwortSagina subulataHeath Pearl WortAlliaria petiolataGarlic MustardRumex crispusCurled Dock

Chelidonium majus Greater Celandine La Seigneurie Garden
Apium nodiflorum False water-cress Creux Belet

Willowherb

Apium nodiflorumFalse water-cressMentha aquaticaWater MintCapsella bursa-pastorisShepherd's Purse

Sinapsis arvensis

Potentilla erecta

Vicia hirsuta

Ilex aquifolium

Hypericum androsaemum

Charlock

Tormentil

Hairy Tare

Holly

Tutsan

Aesculus hippocastanum Horse Chestnut
Castanea sativa Sweet Chestnut
Oenanthe crocata Hemlock Waterdropwort

Symphytum officinale Common Comfrey Chamaemelum nobile Chamomile Arctium minus Lesser Burdock Carex pendula Pendulous Sedge Brachypodium sylvaticum False Brome Dactylis glomerata Cock's Foot Tagetes officinialis Marigold Epilobium tetragonum Square-stalked

Tilia platyphyllos Large-leaved Lime

Fungi

Daldinia concentrica King Alfred's Cakes
Calvatia gigantia Giant Puffball
Coprinus comatus Shaggy Inkcap

Lichens

Rhizocarpon geographicum Map Lichen

Caloplaca marina Orange Sea Lichen
Xanthoria parietina Yellow Scales
Verrucaria maura Tar Lichen
Ramalina siliquosa Sea Ivory