The Wild Flowers and Gardens of the Isles of Scilly

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Echium x scilloniensis by Gilly Wright



Aeonium cuneatum by Dawn Nelson



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Day 1

Thursday 24th April

St Mary's

Weather: Sunny and warm

Dawn met the group on St Mary's Quay and after settling in at the hotel and then exploring Hugh Town to have lunch, we met up again. After a short detour to see the Mexican Stonecrop (Sedum confusum), we went up onto The Garrison through Sally Port, and spotted Cineraria and some of the tiny Forget-me-nots (Myosotis rammosissimus and M. discolor) and Wall Speedwell (Veronica arvensis). Dawn explained and showed us the differences between the Spanish and English Bluebells (Hyacinthoides hispanica, H. non-scripta) and their hybrid (H. x massartiana). She also told us the names of the larger of the islands we could see across the glistening turquoise seas. Along the huge rampart walls we found Wild Madder (Rubbia peregrina), Small Catchfly (Silene gallica) and Sea Spleenwort (Asplenium marinum). We spotted black rabbits and an intriguing Oil Beetle (Meloe proscarabaeus). Back on the town side of The Garrison we came across one of the local very tame Song Thrushes (Turdus philomelos). After a hearty meal and coffee in the bar we gathered in the lounge to go over our first day's list.

Day 2 Friday 25th April

St Agnes

Weather: Sunny early clouding over a little, windy later

Today after a delicious breakfast we set off in glorious sunshine to St. Agnes. Our first sighting was a series if extended leaps of a Dolphin (Tursiops truncates) in St Mary's harbour even before the boat set off. Plant records included Pride of Madeira (Echium candicans), Osteospermum 'Tresco Peggy' and Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil (Lotus pedunculatus). We had permission to explore some bulb-fields and found Corn Marigold (Glebionis segetum), Lambs Lettuce or Common Cornsalad (Valerianella locusta) and Great Brome (Anisantha diandra) all in abundance, as well as Tall and White Ramping Fumitories (Fumaria bastardii and F. capreolata ssp. babingtonii). More Oil beetles were seen, one of which was more accommodating than the others and posed patiently while we all took photographs of it. Not to be outdone the plants produced Field Woundwort (Stachys arvensis) and Spring Beauty (Claytonia perfoliata). We had refreshments at Covene Cafe accompanied by another very tame Song Thrush. Next we set off towards Big Pool noting Prickly and Smooth Sow-thistles (Sonchus asper and S. oleraceas) standing side by side which enabled Dawn to explain the differences.

We found Sea Sandwort (Honckenya peploides) at Periglis and had our sandwiches overlooking the green to the delightful avian displays of hirundines. After that we had a quick visit to the churchyard and then on to Wingletang Down where we managed to find four fronds of Least Adder's-tongue (Ophioglossum lusitanicum) and three of Small Adder's-tongue (O. azoricum). After hunting for Venetian beads at Beady Pool we headed back to Higher Town for some retail therapy in the bulb shop and then down to the Turks Head, the most SW hostelry in England, for more refreshments, before catching the boat back which was quite exciting due to the increase in the wind. Our biggest problem of the day was deciding which was most exciting - seeing the spectacular Aeoniums in flower or managing to find the diminutive and very rare Adder's Tongue Ferns.

Day 3

Saturday 26th April

Tresco

Weather: Strong SW winds and rain at times

Today we had to alter our plans due to wet and windy weather. We had a very exhilarating boat trip over to Tresco, luckily we were all kitted out in full waterproofs, so that drenching spray and surging waves became an adventure. Our first siting of the day was a pair of Great Northern Divers (Gavia immer) spotted on the journey over and confirmed by our boatman. On arrival we needed some fortification with hot chocolate and coffee at the New Inn.

Thus refreshed we headed out to explore and were soon in the shelter of Abbey Road with a vast array of planted and escaped species as well as natives to keep us enthralled. The blurring of exotics and rare natives is partly what Scilly is all about, but on a Tresco the divisions are even more intermingled. Natives included Wood and Heath Speedwells (Veronica montana and V. officinalis), the first exotics were Kangaroo Berry (Solanum laciniatum), New Zealand Flax (Phormium tenax) and Giant Rhubarb (Gunnera tinctoria). We then spent many happy minutes photographing the Golden Pheasant (Phasianus pictus). We also heard a Goldcrest. The established African Hemp (Sparmannia africana) and Hedge Ragwort (Brachyglottis repanda) caught our attention as did a planted Norfolk Island Pine (Araucaria heterophylla) and huge Cedars. Chasmanthe (Chasmanthe bicolor) and Tree Heather (Erica arborea) were both noted. Past the Abbey entrance we spotted Hoop-petticoat Daffodils (Narcissus bulbocodium) establishing in the lawn and Proteas starting to flower. Cape tulip (Homeria collina) and Silver tree (Leucadendron argenteum) were admired.

Lunch was enjoyed in the cafe and then we set off back to the quay via Pool Road taking in wetland habitats and some bulbfields, where we added Balm-leaved Figwort (Scrophularia scorodonia) and Water Starwort (Callitriche) to our list. The journey back was equally exciting and on arrival back at St Mary's we found an extraordinarily high tide lapping the buildings on the foreshore including our hotel; putting a new perspective on the term sea-front location! After yet another wonderful meal at our hotel and a quick run through the day's lists; we finished the day by going to see an illustrated talk on the wildlife of Scilly in the church hall.

Day 4

Sunday 27th April

Tresco Abbey Gardens

Weather: Sunny with a light breeze

The tides and the weather were in control again today, taking us back to Tresco but this time with a good long day to appreciate the gardens at leisure. The sun shone all day enhancing the entire experience of exploring this unique creation. However before arriving at the gardens, on our way past the old Heliport we noticed an Iceland Gull (Larus glaucoides) and patches of Birdsfoot (Ornithopus perpusillus). In the garden a small group of us were lucky enough to chance upon one of the gardeners, giving a tour, who encouraged us to tag along. Stories of plant discoveries such Wollemi Pine (Wollemi nobilis), mingled with anecdotes of the invention of a reliable time piece for sailing ships all combined to make a very enjoyable and informative experience.

We all met up for lunch at the cafe and then headed off to explore some more. Plants of note included a South African Pigmyweed (Crassus socialis) a delightful small succulent, several Leptospermums and a huge Agave (Agave americana) sending up its towering flower spike. A Goldcrest (Regulus regulus) and a Treecreeper (Certhia familiaris) were seen. We made our way to New Grimsby Quay via the coastal route this time, noting Sea Campion (Silene uniflora) as well as Bird's-foot Clover (Trifolium ornithopodioides).

Day 5

Monday 28th April

St Mary's

Weather: Sunny and warm with a bit of a breeze

Today we chose to explore St Mary's. We caught the bus to Maypole and wandered through Holy Vale at a leisurely pace noting, Angels Trumpets (*Brugmansia spp*), Scented leaved and Zonal Pelargoniums as well as Annual Wall Rocket (*Diplotaxis muralis*) in flower.

Next we went through Higher Moors Nature Reserve where plants of note included Watercress (Nasturtium officinale), Lady Fern (Athyrium filix-femina) and huge stands of Greater Tussock Sedge (Carex paniculata) which called for photos all round to emphasise their enormous size. At the hide we saw a Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa)

Out at Porth Hellick most of the group opted to bask in the sunshine and look at the view whilst a Dawn took Gilly and Pam on a short detour to see the established Chilean Hard Fern (*Blechnum cordatum*). We had lunch at Porth Hellick enjoying the stunning rock formations and indulging in some beachcombing.

Next we headed up to Salakee Down to see the waved Heath and noted Lousewort (Pedicularis sylvatica), and Pill Sedge (Carex pilulifera). After crossing the runway at the pedestrian traffic lights, we identified a male Linnet (Carduelis cannabina) and its mate. On reaching Porth Minnick we explored the beach finding Sea Kale (Crambe maritima), Sea Pea (Lathyrus japonica) and Sea Bindweed (Calystegia soldanella). Ice creams and cakes at Old Town Cafe were a welcome break, then we set off again through Lower Moors Nature Reserve noting the Scillonian endemic Sea Rush (Juncus maritimus var atlanticus) and just over the road an established patch of House Holly Fern (Crytomium falcatum).

Five group members decided to go on the Manx Shearwater cruise out to Annett this evening, not only did they see their target but also a Puffin (Fratercula artica), Sandwich Terns (Sterna sandvicensis) and more Great Northern Divers (Gavia immer) as well as enjoying the experience of an evening cruise in such a wonderful location with unsurpassable scenery.

Day 6

Tuesday 29th April

St Martin's

Weather: Sunny and warm

Today we set off for St Martin's at an extreme spring low tide. There were so many exposed sandbars and rocks it looked quite a feasible possibility to walk from St. Martin's to Tresco and on to Bryher, which in fact it is. However our attention was soon brought back to plants when we spotted Toothed Medick (Medicago polymorpha) and Deltoid-leaved Dewplant (Oscularia deltoides) along the lane. A little further on came Heart-leaved Dewplant (Aptenia cordifloia) and Alter Lily (Zantedeschia aethiopica). Many of the small bulb fields had interesting species such as Corn Lilies, both Red (Ixia campanulata) and Tubular (I. paniculata) as well as more Ramping Fumitories in flower. Over on The Plains there is extensive maritime heathland intermingled with maritime grassland; here we found more Birdsfoot and its very rare relation Orange Birdsfoot (Ornithopus pinnatus). We had our sandwiches sitting on the springy heather in brilliant sunshine, overlooking the stunning white sands and shimmering sea. However the intricate tapestry of colours and textures of the plants along with the botanical interest of most of the group inspired us to do a small sample quadrat. We found within a 30 cm square 13 species of higher plants as well as moss and lichen, with Ling (Calluna vulgaris) and Autumn Hawkbit (Scorzoneroides autumnalis) nearby, a fine example of the richness of an ancient native community. On our way back to the lane we found Wild Angelica (Angelica sylvestris).

At Church Farm we were treated to a guided tour by Zoe who not only showed us the extremely rare St. Martin's Buttercup (Ranunculus marginatus var trachycarpus) and other interesting arable weeds but also explained the multitasking needed for running a farm in today's demanding circumstances.

Next we headed to Polreath Cafe for well earned refreshments and then Penny and Christine set off to get to the day mark whilst the rest of us luxuriated in the aroma of Chamomile (Chamaemelum nobile) as we headed across Pool Green to the pool to see Brackish Water-Crowfoot (Ranunculus baudotii) and the coastal subspecies of Curled Dock (Rumex crispus spp. littoralis). On our way to the quay we saw a Wood mouse (Apodemus sylvaticus), birds of note today included Sedge Warblers (Acrocephalus schoenbaenus), Sandwich Terns (Sterna sandvicensis) and Swallows (Hirundo rustica).

Day 7

Wednesday 30th April

Bryher

Weather: mist and drizzle to start with, sunny by late morning

Bryher was our destination for today. We set off in a fine mist and poor visibility but predictably the island landscape still held an ethereal beauty. Landing at Bar Quay we headed down the road to the Church where we admired the stained glass windows and quilts, as well as the Daisy bush (Olearia traversii) one of the evergreens frequently used for hedging and distinctive for its shining underside to the leaves which can at a distance be mistaken for flowers, when fluttering in the breeze. We continued round the south end of the island following the coastal path through now abandoned bulb-fields that are however still rich in relict species such as various Narcissus varieties and Whistling Jacks (Gladiolus communis ssp. byzantinus) which was just starting to flower. As we rounded the headland we found a good sized patch of Spring Squill (Scilla verna).

The sun was shining now and our next task was to find Dwarf Pansy (Viola kitaibeliana) which certainly lives up to its name, but does repay the effort of the search by its enchanting beauty. Whilst lying on our tummies to photograph this, other tiny treasures were noted too. These included Sea Mouse-ear (Cerastium diffusum), Sea Ferngrass (Catapodium marinum) and thanks to Gilly who had by now become our 'finder of diminutive plants' par excellence; no less than 10 specimens of Small Adders-tongue (Ophioglossum azoricum) including one with a fine fertile frond.

Extremely satisfied with our finds we headed to the Hell Bay Hotel for lunch which we had over looking great pool with its pair of Mute Swans (Cygnus olor) and the Norrard Rocks beyond. We also admired the wonderful art collection housed here. After lunch Penny and Christine set off again to cover more ground; whilst the rest of us circumnavigated the brackish pool adding Beaked Tasselweed (Ruppia maritima) and Saltmarsh Rush (Juncus gerardii) to our list of plants as well as Wheatear (Oenanthe oenanthe) and Grey Heron (Ardrea cinerea) to our bird list. We then had a look around a gallery and artistic garden which appeared to pay homage to Derek Jarman. Before we ambled slowly back to the pier for our last boat journey before returning to the mainland.

Day 8 Thursday 1st May

St .Mary's and return to Penzance

Weather: Sunny with a light breeze

Today was our last day so once our bags were all packed and labelled ready to be collected by the Island Carriers we were free, until we sailed at 4.30pm. Gilly decided to have a relaxing morning and would meet up with us for lunch. The rest of us headed for Old Town Churchyard to see Harold Wilson's grave and then Carreg Dhu Garden. First we spotted Sea Stork's-bill (Erodium maritimum), then we found a jolly looking Policeman in a real Police helmet; so we asked to take his photo, he duly posed with the group and told us to check out the Scilly Police page on Facebook – the sort of experience one would only get in these fortunate isles.

At Old Town Churchyard we duly viewed the grave and also saw Chaffinch (*Phylloscopus collybita*), then as we passed the beach a Cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*). Along the lane we came across a Pottery which was duly explored, behind it was an entire field full of Corn Marigold (*Glebionis segetum*) and more Fumitories in the hedgerows.

Carreg Dhu Garden had good specimens of many of the plants seen in Tresco Abbey Gardens as well as other interesting plants and an adjacent Historic Narcissus collection. Along the lane and with a few detours into more galleries and bulb fields we added Field Marigold (*Calendula arvensis*). Juliette's Garden Restaurant was our destination for lunch today not just for the spectacular views over the harbour, but also for the excellent menu.

The World Championship Pilot Gig Races are held in Scilly annually and this year they were starting the day after our departure, so there was a vast influx of people and racing gigs which we found fascinating adding even more delightful and colourful additional interest to this tour. The sail back to Penzance was spectacular; we sat on the top deck, bathed in sunshine with just a gentle swell to the sparking seas the whole way, as the islands disappeared from view. Wolf Lighthouse came and went and then St. Michael's Mount appeared with the lowering sun shining off its western walls. I don't think any of us really wanted it all to end...

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Leucanthemum vulgare

Matricaria discoidea

Olearia paniculata

Olearia traversii

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Caprobotus edulis Hottentot Fig Frequent Purple Dewplant Tresco & St Mary's Disphyma crassifolium Drosnanthemum floribundum Pale Dewplant St. Mary's Lampranthus roseus Rosy Dewplant St. Agnes Tresco & St Mary's Lampranthus faliiformis Sickle-leaved Dewplant Oscularia deltoides **Deltoid-leaved Dewplant** Frequent **Apiaceae Carrot Family** Fool's Water-cress Apium nodiflorum St. Mary's Wild Angelica St. Martin's Angelica sylvestris Anthriscus sylvestris Cow Parsley St. Mary's Crithmum maritimum **Rock Samphire** Frequent Wild Carrot Daucus carota subsp. carota Occasional Daucus carota subsp. gummifera Sea Carrot St Mary's & Bryher Foeniculum vulgare Fennel Frequent Heracleum sphondylium Hogweed Occasional Hydrocotyle vulgare Marsh Pennywort St. Agnes & Bryher Oenanthe crocata Hemlock Water-dropwort St. Mary's Smyrnium olusatrum Alexanders Common Apocynaceae **Periwinkle Family** Vinca major Greater Periwinkle Occasional **Holly Family** Aquifoliaceae Tresco & St. Martin's Ilex aquifolium Holly Araliaceae Ivy Family St. Mary's Hedera helix subsp. helix Common Ivy Hedera helix subsp. hibernica Common Irish Ivy **Daisy Family** Asteraceae Achillea millefolium Yarrow Common Arctotheca calendula Plain Treasureflower Tresco & St. Mary's Bellis perennis Daisy Common Brachyglottis repanda Hedge Ragwort Tresco Calendula arvensis Field Marigold St. Mary's Calendula officinalis Pot Marigold St. Martin's Chamaemelum nobile Chamomile St. Mary's & St. Martin's Chrysocoma coma-aurea Shrub Goldilocks Tresco Creeping Thistle St. Agnes Cirsium arvense Cirsium vulgare Spear Thistle Occasional Delaria odorata German Ivy St. Agnes & St. Mary's Erigeron karvinskianus Mexican Fleabane Occasional Treasureflower or Gazania Gazania rigens Occasional Glebionis (Chrysanthemum)segetum St. Agnes & St Mary's Corn Marigold Helichrysum petiolare Silver-bush Everlasting Flower St. Mary's Helminthotheca (Picris) echioides **Bristley Oxtongue** Bryher Hypochaeris radiata Cat's-ear Occasional Lapsana communis Nipplewort St. Mary's

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Brvher

St. Martin's

Tresco & Bryher

Tresco Abbey Gardens

Oxeye Daisy

Akiraho

Ake-ake

Pinappleweed

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Tresco & St. Martin's Osteospermum ecklonis Cape Daisy Osteospermum 'Tresco Peggy' a Cape Daisy Common Pericallis hybrida Cineraria Occasional Petasites fragrans Winter Heliotrope Occasional Scorzonneroides autumnalis Autumn Hawkbit St. Agnes & St. Martin's Senecio glastifolius Woad-leaved Ragwort Tresco Senecio vulgaris Groundsel Occasional Sonchus asper Prickly Sow-thistle Occasional Smooth Sow-thistle Occasional Sonchus oleraceus Tanacetum vulgare Tansy St. Agnes Dandelion Occasional Taraxacum agg. Boraginaceae **Borage Family** Borago officinalis Borage St. Agnes & Bryher Echium candicans Pride of Madeira Frequent Echium pininana Giant Viper's-bugloss Frequent Echium x scilloniensis Scilly Viper's-bugloss Occasional Myosotis discolor Changing Forget-me-not Occasional Myosotis ramossisima Early Froget-me-not St. Mary's Brassicaceae **Cabbage Family** Arabidopsis thaliana **Thale Cress** St. Agnes Cakile maritima Sea Rocket St. Mary's Cardamine flexuosa Wavy Bittercress Occasional Cardamine hirsuta Occasional Hairy Bittercress Cardamine pratensis Lady's Smock St. Mary's Capsella bursa-pastoris Shepherd's Purse Occasional Cochlearia danica Danish Scurvygrass Common Cochlearia officinalis Common Scurvygrass Bryher & St Mary's Crambe maritima Sea Kale St. Mary's Annual Wall-rocket St. Mary's & St. Martin's Diplotaxis muralis Wallflower Occasional Erysium cheiri Lepedium (Coronopus) didymus Lesser Swine-cress St. Agnes & Tresco Lepidium heterophyllum Smith's Pepperwort Lobularia maritima Occasional Sweet Alyssum Lunaria annua Honesty Matthiola longipetala a Hoary Stock St. Agnes & Bryher Nasturtium anagallis-aquaticum Water-cress St. Mary's Raphanes raphanistrum subsp maritimum Sea Radish St. Mary's Raphanes raphanistrum subsp raphanistrum Wild Radish Occasional Sisymbrium officniale Hedge Mustard St. Mary's Buddlejaceae **Butterfly-bush Family** Buddleja davidii Buttefly-bush St. Mary's Budleja globosa Orange-ball Tree Carreg Dhu Garden Callitrichaceae **Water-starwort Family** Callitriche agg Water-starwort Tresco & St. Mary's Campanulaceae **Bellflower Family** Campanula portenschlagiana Adria Bellflower St. Mary's

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Honeysuckle Family

Caprifoliaceae

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Lonicera periclymenum Honeysuckle Frequent **Pink Family** Caryophyllaceae Arenaria serpyllifolia agg. Thyme-leaved Sandwort Cerastium diffusum Sea Mouse-ear Bryher Common Mouse-ear Cerastium fontanum Occasional Cerastium glomeratum Sticky Mouse-ear Common Honkenya peploides Sea Sandwort St. Agnes & St. Mary's Sagina procumbens Procumbent Pearlwort Frequent Silene dioica Common **Red Campion** Silene gallica Small-flowered Catchfly Frequent Silene uniflora Sea Campion Tresco & St. Martin's Spergula arvensis Corn Spurrey St. Martin's Frequent Spergularia marina Lesser Sea-spurrey Stellaria media Common Chickweed Frequent Celastraceae **Spindle Family** Euonymus japonicus Evergreen spindle Occasional Chenopodiaceae **Goosefoot Family** Occasional Atriplex prostrata Spear-leaved Orache Beta vulgaris subsp. maritima Sea Beet Occasional Clethraceae Lily-of-the-valley-tree Family Clethra arborea Lily-of-the-valley-tree Clusiaceae St. John's-wort Family Hypericum humifusum Trailing St.John's-wort St. Mary's & St Agnes Convolvulaceae **Bindweed Family** Calystegia silvatica Large Bindweed Occasional Sea Bindweed Calystegia soldanella St. Mary's Cornaceae **Dogwood Family** Griselelinia littoralis New Zealand Broadleaf Tresco Crassulaceae **Stonecrop Family** Occasional Aeonium arboreum Tree Aeonium Aeonium cuneatum Aeonium Common Achryson laxum Achryson Tresco Crassula socialis Tresco a Pigmyweed Sedum anglicum **English Stonecrop** Occasional Sedum confusum Lesser Mexican-stonecrop St. Mary's Umbilicus rupestris Navelwort Frequent Ericaceae **Heather Family** Calluna vulgaris Common Ling Erica arborea Tree Heather Tresco Erica cinerea Bell Heather St. Martin's Rhododendron ponticum Rhododendron Tresco Euphorbiaceae **Spurge Family** Euphorbia amygdaloides Wood spurge Bryher

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Mediterranean Spurge

St. Mary's

Euphorbia characias

Group/Species	English Name (if any)	Location
Euphorbia helioscopa	Sun Spurge	St. Agnes
Euphorbia mellifera	Honey Spurge	Occasional
Euphorbia portlandica	Portland Spurge	Tresco
Fabaceae	Pea Family	
Cytisus scoparius	Broom	St. Mary's
Lathyrus japonicus subsp. maritimus	Sea Pea	St. Mary's
Lathyrus latyfolius	Everlasting Pea	Bryher
Lotus corniculatus	Bird's-foot Trefoil	St. Mary's
Lotus pedunculatus	Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil	St Agnes & St . Mary's
Lupinus arboreus	Tree Lupin	Tresco
Medicago arabica	Spotted Medick	Common
Medicago polymorpha	Toothed Medick	St. Mary's & St. Martin's
Ornithopus perpusillus	Common Bird's-foot	Tresco & St. Martin's
Ornithopus pinnatus	Orange Bird's-foot	St. Martin's
Trifolium dubium	Lesser trefoil	St. Martin's
Trifolium ornithopodioides	Bird's-foot Clover	Tresco
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover	St. Agnes
Trifolium repens	White Clover	Frequent
Trifolium repens var. townsendii	a White Clover	Bryher
Ulex europaeus	Gorse	Common
Ulex gallii	Western Gorse	Frequent
Vicia sativa subsp. nigra	Common Vetch	Frequent
Vicia sativa subsp. segetalis	Common Vetch	St. Martin's
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
Quercus ilex	Holm Oak	Tresco
Quercus robur	Pendunculate Oak	St. Mary's
Geraniaceae	Crane's-bill Family	
Erodium cicutarium	Common Stork's-bill	St. Martin's & Bryher
Erodium maritimum	Sea Stork's-bill	St. Mary's
Erodium moschatum	Musk Stork's-bill	Frequent
Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	St. Agnes
Geranium maderense	Giant Herb-Robert	Frequent
Geranium molle	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	Frequent
Pelargonium tomentosum	Peppermint-scented Geranium	Tresco & St Mary's
Pelargonium x hybridum	Zonal Geranium	St. Mary's
Gunneraceae	Gunnera Family	
Gunnera tinctoria	Giant Rhubarb	Tresco & Bryher
Lamiaceae	Dead-nettle Family	
Glechoma hederacea	Ground Ivy	St. Mary's & Bryher
Mellissa officinalis	Lemon Balm	St. Mary's
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint	St. Mary's
Mentha x rotundifolia	False Apple-mint	St. Agnes
Prunella vulgaris	Self-heal	Tresco & St. Mary's
Stachys arvensis	Field Woundwort	St Agnes
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage	Occasional
Lythraceae	Purple Loosestrife Family	

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St. Mary's

Purple Loosestrife

Lythrum salicaria

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location **Mallow Family** Malvaceae Lavatera arborea Tree Mallow Occasional Malva moschata Musk Mallow **Dwarf Mallow** Malva neglecta Malva pseudolavaera (Lavatera cretica) Smaller Tree-mallow Malva sylvestris Common Mallow Occasional **Myrtle Family** Myrtaceae **Broom Tea-tree** Tresco Abbey Garden Leptospermum scoparium Luma apiculata Chilean Myrtle Tresco Onagraceae Willowherb Family **Broad-leaved Willowherb** Epilobium montanum St. Agnes Fuchsia magellanica **Fuchsia** St Mary's & Bryher Orobanchaceae **Broomrape Family** Pedicularis sylvatica Lousewort St. Mary's & St. Martin's Oxalidaceae **Wood Sorrel Family** Occasional Oxalis articulata Pink-sorrel Oxalis megalorrhiza Fleshy Yellow-sorrel Occasional Oxalis pes-caprae Bermuda Buttercup Frequent Papaveraceae **Poppy Family** Eschscholzia californica Californian Poppy Bryher Fumaria bastardii Tall Ramping-fumitory Occasional Fumaria capreolata subsp. babingtonii White Ramping-fumitory St. Agnes & St. Martin's Fumaria occidentalis Western Ramping-fumitory St. Mary's Fumaria officinalis agg. Common Fumitory St. Mary's Funmaria muralis subsp. boraei Common Ramping Fumitory St. Mary's Pittosporaceae **Pittosporum Family** Pittosporum crassifolium Common Karo Pittosporum tenuifolium Kohuhu Tresco Plantaginaceae **Plantain Family** Common Plantago coronopus Stag's-horn Plantain Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Common Plantago major **Greater Plantain** Frequent Sea Plantain Plantago maritima St. Mary's Plumbaginaceae **Thrift Family** Armeria maritima **Thrift** Frequent Polygalaceae Milkwort Family Polygala serpyllifolia Heath Milkwort Bryher & St. Martins Polygala vulgaris Common Milkwort St. Mary's Polygonaceae **Knotweed Family** Fallopia japonica Japanese Knotweed St. Mary's Muehlenbeckia complexia Wireplant St. Mary's & Tresco

Group/Species	English Name (if any)	Location
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel	Common
Rumex acetosella	Sheep's Sorrel	Frequent
Rumex crispus	Curled Dock	Common
Rumex crispus ssp littoralis	Maritime from of Curled Dock,	St. Martin's
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock	Frequent
Portulacaceae	Blinks Family	
Claytonia perfoliata	Spring Beauty	St. Agnes & St. Martin's
Portulaca oleracea	Common Purslane	St. Agnes
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
Anagallis arvensis	Scarlet Pimpernel	Occasional
Primula vulgaris	Primrose	Occasional
Proteacea	Protea Family	
Leucadenron argentea	Silver Tree	Tresco
Protea cynaroides	King Protea	Tresco Abbey Gardens
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
Caltha palustris	Marsh Marigold	Tresco
Ficaria verna ssp fertilis (Ran. fic. ssp ficaria)	Lesser Celandine	Frequent
Ranunculus baudotii	Brackish Water-crowfoot	St. Martin's
Ranunculus bulbosus	Bulbous Buttercup	Common
Ranunculus flammula	Lesser Spearwort	St. Mary's
Ranunculus marginatus var. trachycarpus	St Martin's Buttercup	St. Martin's
Ranunculus muricatus	Rough-fruited Buttercup Creeping Buttercup	St. Mary's Frequent
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	rrequent
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
Aphanes arvensis	Parsley-piert	Tresco & St. Martin's
Crataegus monogyna	Hawthorn	St. Martin's
Malus pumila	Domestic Apple	St. Mary's
Potentilla anserina	Silverweed	Occasional
Potentilla erecta	Tormentil	Frequent
Rosa rugosa	Japanese Rose	St. Agnes
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble	Common
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
Coprosma repens	Tree Bedstraw	Frequent
Galium aparine	Goosegrass	Frequent
Galium verum	Ladies Bedstraw	St. Martin's & Bryher
Rubia peregrina Sherardia arvensis	Wild Madder	Occasional
Sherardia arvensis	Field Madder	St. Agnes
Rutaceae	Rue Family	St Manda
Corea backhousiana	Tasmanian Fuchsia	St. Mary's
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
Populus alba	White Poplar	Tresco
Salix cinerea subsp oleifolia	Grey Willow	Occasional
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
Cymbalaria muralis	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	St. Mary's

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Cymbalaria muralis forma. alba St. Mary's & St. Martin's White Ivy-leaved Toadflax Digitaria purpurea Frequent Foxglove Scrophularia scorodonia Balm-leaved Figwort Frequent Solanaceae **Nightshade Family** Solanum dulcamara Bittersweet St. Mary's Solanum laciniatum Kangaroo Berry Tresco Solanum tuberosum Potato St. Agnes **Tamaricaceae Tamarisk Family** Tamarisk Tamarix gallica Occasional Tiliaceae **Lime Family** Sparmania africana African Hemp Tresco Tropaeolaceae **Nasturtium Family** Tropaeolum majus Nasturtium St. Mary's **Ulmaceae** Elm family Ulmus sp Elm St. Mary's Urticaceae **Nettle Family** Parietaria judaica Pellitory-of-the-wall Frequent Common Soleirolia soleirolii Mind-your-own-business Urtica dioca Common Nettle Frequent Valerianaceae Valerian Family St. Mary's & St. Martin's Centranthus ruber Red Valerian Valerianella locusta St Agnes & St. Martin's Common Cornsalad Veronicaceae Speedwell family Misopates orontium Weasel Snout Veronica agrestis Green Field-speedwell Bryher Wall Speedwell Occasional Veronica arvensis Veronica chamaedrys Germander Speedwell Occasional Veronica montana Wood Speedwell Tresco Veronica officinalis Heath Speedwell Tresco Veronica persica Common Field-speedwell St. Agnes & St. Martin's Veronica serpyllifolia Thyme-leaved Speedwell St. Mary's & St. Martin's Veronica (Hebe) x franciscana Hedge Veronica Occasional Violaceae **Violet Family** Viola arvensis Field Pansy Viola kitaibeliana **Dwarf Pansy** Bryher Viola odorata St. Mary's Sweet Violet Viola riviniana Common Dog-violet Frequent Liliidae - Monocotyldons

Agavaceae Centuryplant family

Agave americanaCenturyplantTrescoBeschorneria yuccoidesMexican LilyTresco

Phormium tenax

Cyperaceae

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Araceae **Arum Family** Arum italicum subsp. italicum Large Cuckoo Pint Occasional Zantedechia aethipoica Altar-lily Asparagaceae **Asparagus Family** Common Star of Bethlehem St. Martin's Ornithogalum angustifolium Scilla verna Spring Squill Bryher Bromeliaceae **Rhodostachys Family** Fascicularia bicolor Rhodostachys Occasional Ochagavia camea Tresco Rhodostachys Tresco Iridaceae Iris Family Aristea ecklonii Blue Corn-lily Chasmanthe bicolor Chasmanthe Occasional Crocosmia x crocosmiifloa Montbretia Occasional Gladaiolus communis Eastern Gladiolus Occasional Homreria collina Cape tulip Tresco & St. Martin's Occasional Iris foetidisssima Stinking Iris Iris orientalis Turkish Iris St Agnes Yellow Iris Occasional Iris pseudacorus Red Corn-lily St. Martin's Ixia campanulata Ixia paniculata **Tubular Corn-lily** St. Martin's Libertia formosa Chilean-iris Occasional Sparaxis grandiflora Plain Harlequinflower St. Mary's & Tresco Liliaceae **Lily Family** Agapanthus praecox subsp. orientalis Tresco & Bryher African Lily Allium ampeloprasum var. babingtonii Babington's Leek Tresco & St. Martin's St. Martin's Allium neapolitanum Neapolitan Garlic Allium roseum Rosy Garlic St. Martin's Allium triquetrum Tree-cornered Leek Common Spanish Bluebell Hyacinthoides hispanica Common Hyacinthoides non-scripta Bluebell Common H. Hispanica x H. non-scripta Hybrid Bluebell Occasional Narcissus aggregate Daffodil cultivars Common Narcissus bolbocodium Hoop-petticoat daffodil Tresco Narcissus poeticus Pheasant's-eye Occasional Bunch-flowered narcissi Occasional Narcissus tazetta Tristagama uniflorum Spring starflower St. Agnes & St. Mary's Ruppiaceae **Tasselweed Family** Ruppia maritima **Beaked Tassleweed** Bryher Orchidaceae **Orchid family** Spirantus spiralis Autumn Ladies-tresses St. Mary's Xanthorrhoeaceae **Asphodel Family** Phormium cookianum Lesser New Zealand Flax Brvher

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New Zealand Flax

Sedge Family

St. Martin's

Group/Species English Name (if any) Location Carex arenaria Sand Sedge Occasional Carex binervis Green-ribbed Sedge St. Mary's Carex paniculata Greater Tussock Sedge St. Mary's Carex pendula Pendulous Sedge St. Mary's Carex pilulifera Pill Sedge St. Mary's Carex remota Remote Sedge St. Mary's Cyperus eragrostis Galingale St. Martin's Juncaceae **Rush Family** Juncus bufonis Toad Rush St. Agnes Juncus effusus Soft Rush St. Mary's Juncus gerardii Saltmarsh Rush St. Agnes & Bryher Juncus maritimus var. atlanticus Sea Rush (St Mary's) St. Mary's Luzula campestris Field Wood-rush (Good Friday Grass) Common Poaceae **Grass Family** Agrostis capillaris Common Bent Agrostis stolonifera Creeping Bent Aira caryophyllea Silver Hair-grass St. Martin's & Bryher Aira praecox Early Hair-grass St. Martin's & Bryher Ammophila arenaria Marram Frequent Anisantha diandra **Great Brome** St. Agnes Barren Brome Occasional Anisantha sterilis Anthoxanthum odoratum Sweet Vernal Grass Common Brachypodium sylvaticum False Brome Occasional Briza maxima Greater Quaking-grass St. Martin's & Bryher Catapodium marinum Sea Fern-grass St. Martin's & Bryher Ceratochloa cathartica Rescue Brome St. Martin's Occasional Dactylis glomerata Cock's-foot Sheep's Fescue Tresco Festuca ovina agg. Holcus lanatus Yorkshire Fog Bryher Leymus arenarius Lyme Grass Bryher Lolium perenne Perennial Rye-grass St. Martin's Purple Moor-grass Molinia caerulea St Mary's Phragmites australis Common Reed Tresco & St. Mary's Poa annua Annual Meadow-grass Common

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

Poa infirma

Vulpia bromoides

			April/May							
	Common name	Scientific name	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
1	Red-legged Partridge	Alectoris rufa			✓	✓				
2	Common Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus			✓	✓		✓		
3	Golden Pheasant	Chrysolophus pictus			✓	✓				
4	Canada Goose	Branta canadensis				✓	✓			
5	Mute Swan	Cygnus olor							✓	
6	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna			✓			✓		
7	Mallard	Anus platyrhynchos			✓	✓	✓		✓	
8	Great Northern Diver	Gavia immer			✓		✓			
9	Northern Fulmar	Fulmarus glacialis					✓			
10	Manx Shearwater	Puffinus puffinus					✓			✓

Early Meadow-grass

Squirrel-tail Fescue

Common

St. Agnes

			April/May							
	Common name	Scientific name	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
11	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea							✓	
12	Northern Gannet	Morus bassanus	✓		✓					
13	European Shag	Phalacrocorax aristotelis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus					✓			
16	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra			✓					
17	Eurasian Oystercatcher	Haematopus ostralegus	✓		✓	✓	Н	Н	✓	
18	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa					✓			
19	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus							√	
20	Eurasian Curlew	Numenius arquata		✓			✓			
21	Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia							√	
22	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Great Black-backed Gull	Larus marinus	√			✓	✓	✓		
24	European Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	-		/		/	✓	✓	√
25	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus	1	✓	✓					-
26	Iceland Gull	Larus glaucoides				✓				
27	Sandwich Tern	Sterna sandvicensis				•	✓	✓		
	Common Tern	Sterna sanuvicensis Sterna hirundo					\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	,	√	
28						✓	✓		V	
29	Razorbill	Alca torda				V				
30	Common Guillemot	Uria aalge			✓		√			
31	Atlantic Puffin	Fratercula arctica					✓			
32	Rock Dove	Columba livia (Feral)						✓		
33	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto				✓	✓	✓		
35	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus								✓
36	Common Swift	Apus apus	✓							
37	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone		✓					✓	✓
38	Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus				✓				
39	Eurasian Treecreeper	Certhia familiaris				✓				
40	Common Skylark	Alauda arvensis		✓						
41	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	✓	✓				✓	✓	
42	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum		✓						
43	Wood Warbler	Phylloscopus sibilatrix						✓		
44	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita		Н	Н					
45	Sedge Warbler	Acrocephalus schoenobaenus						✓		
46	Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla						Н		
47	Garden Warbler	Sylvia borin				Н				
48	Goldcrest	Regulus regulus			Н	✓				
49	Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		✓			✓	✓	✓	
50	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	√	✓				✓ ·	✓	
51	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	→	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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52	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	•	V		V	,	V	V	_ '
53	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus								
54	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula	√		✓	√				✓
55	European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola	✓			✓				
56	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe							√	<u> </u>
57	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
58	Dunnock	Prunella modularis						✓		<u> </u>
59	Eurasian Rock Pipit	Anthus petrosus		✓		✓	✓			
60	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs								✓
61	European Greenfinch	Carduelis chloris				Н				

			April/May							
	Common name	Scientific name	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
62	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis				✓		✓		
63	Common Linnet	Acanthus cannabina					✓			

Butterflies

1	Large White	Pieris brassicae	✓			✓		
2	Holly Blue	Celastrina argiolus			✓	✓		
3	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta			✓		✓	
4	Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria	✓					

Moths

1	Yellow-barred Brindle	Acasis viretata			✓		

Other Invertebrates

1	Oil Beetle	Meloe proscarabaeus	✓	✓						
2	Tiger Beetle	Cicindela sp.					✓			
3	Seven-spot Ladybird	Coccinella 7-punctata		✓				✓		
4	Buff-tailed Bumblebee	Bombus terrestris	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	Garden Bumblebee	Bombus hortorum						✓		
6	Honey Bee	Apis mellifera		✓		✓	✓	✓		
7	Hoverfly	Syrphidae sp					✓			

Mammals

1	Bottle-nose Dolphin	Tursiops truncatus		✓					
2	Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus	✓		✓				
3	Brown Rat	Ratus norvegicus				✓		✓	
4	Red Squirrel	Sciurus vulgaris				✓	✓		
5	Scilly Shrew [sadly dead]	Crocidura suaveolens cassiteridum				✓			

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