# Wild Flowers of the Cornish Valleys and Lizard Peninsula

Naturetrek Tour Report

18th - 21st May 2022



Thrift at Botallack



Lizard Peninsula cliff top



Long-headed Clover



Thyme Broomrape

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#### Day 1

## Wednesday 18th May

Weather: Rainy

Bruce Middleton welcomed six Naturetrekkers at the Premier Inn, Helston. Then after everyone had checked in to the hotel, we set off in the minibus to Gunwalloe, Church Cove which is on the Lizard Peninsula. On arrival, sadly the rain started but that did not deter us so, all kitted up in our waterproofs, we made our way down to the beach. The carpark had a number of herring-bone-shaped stone walls adorned in yellow Kidney Vetch *Anthyllis vulneraria* which was really eye-catching. Down on the beach we found a number of plants such as Marram-grass *Ammophila arenaria*, Sea-holly *Eryngium maritimum* and Sand Sedge *Carex arenaria* on the small sand dune system above the beach. On the beach we found Sea Milkwort *Lysimachia (Glaux) maritima*, Sea Mayweed *Tripleurospermum maritimum*, Sea Beet *Beta vulgaris*, Sea Plantain *Plantago maritima*, Rock Samphire *Crithmum maritimum* and Buck's-horn Plantain *Plantago coronopus*.

We then made our way up onto the coastal path and up along the cliff edge towards Poldhu. As we made our way along, we saw Rock Pipit *Anthus petrosus* and a pair of Red-billed Chough *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*. Along the path we also found Wild Madder with its velcro-like leaves that attach to anything that passes it. There was Thrift *Armenia maritima* in flower, the Spring Squill *Scilla verna* was just going over and there was also Cornish Heath *Erica vagans*, but not yet out in flower.

We made our way down on to Poldhu beach where we found a few more seaside plants such as Sea Knotgrass *Polygonum maritimum*, Sea Sandwort *Honckenya peploides* and Sea Rocket *Cakile maritima*. Poldhu Point was famous for a short while because it was the site of one of the main technological advances of the early twentieth century when, on 12th December 1901, a wireless signal was sent by Thomas Barron in Poldhu to St John's, Newfoundland, and received by Marconi. This technology was a precursor to radio and television.

It was continuing to rain, so we set off back towards Gunwalloe, but we did notice a few extra plants: Dwarf Gorse was not in flower, but the Wild Thyme was just coming out and then there was the colourful Whistling Jack *Gladiolus communis* subsp. *byzantinus* with its bright pink flowers. Once we were back at the hotel we quickly changed out of our wet clothes and dried out before we sat down to our first meal in the dining room and then went through the species list.

## Day 2

# Thursday 19th May

Weather: Dry and sunny.

After breakfast we set off to Kynance Cove. On arrival we walked south of the carpark and here we discovered our first Heath Spotted-orchids *Dactylhoriza maculata*, as well as Hairy Greenweed *Genista pilosa*, Dyer's Greenweed *Genista tinctoria*, Dropwort *Filipendula vulgaris*, Lousewort *Pedicularis sylvatica* and Heath Milkwort *Polygala serpyllifolia*. Then we made our way down into Kynance Cove and passed our first Bloody Crane's-bill *Geranium sanguineum*. We also viewed a Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra* and a Stonechat *Saxicola rubicola*. The tide was in but on the turn and going out, so we negotiated the wet stony beach up to the café. Because the weather was hot, we decided to have our first refreshment stop. After feeling suitably refreshed, we set off up the other slope

following the coastal path and looked across at Asparagus Island, so named because of the Prostrate Asparagus Asparagus prostratus that lives there. It was not long before we were spotting our first Thyme Broomrape Orobanche alba then there was the Spring Sandwort Minuartia verna and Sheep's-bit Jasiona montana, as well as Western Clover Trifolium occidentale together with Twin-headed Clover Trifolium bocconei.

We then trekked on towards Gew-graze Valley where in the past some of the local stone was used as a soapstone. As we descended into the valley, we found a number of plants of Spring Squill *Scilla verna* that had not burned off, as well as a number of Primroses *Primula vulgaris* still in flower. By the stream we heard and saw our first Cuckoo *Cuculus canorus* and then a Clouded Yellow *Colias croceus* butterfly flew by. As we continued up the path, we discovered Prostrate Broom *Cytisus scoparius* subsp. *maritimus* and some Wild Chives *Allium schoenoprasum*. Then near a house on the slope we discovered two botanists with lenses in hand lying flat out on the ground and they had discovered a nice patch of Rough Clover *Trifolium scabrum*. From here, we headed right back towards the café at Kynance Cove. We looked in the dried-out pools and found Dwarf Rush *Juncus capitatus* as well as Pigmy Rush *Juncus pygmaeus*, Three-lobed Crowfoot *Ranunculus tripartitus* and also the leaves of Yellow Bartsia *Parentucellia viscosa*. We then returned to the café and had some lunch. Then on our return to the minibus we came across a number of Pearl-bordered Fritillary *Boloria euphrosyne* and Wall *Lasiommata megera* butterflies.

We then drove on to Lizard Point carpark and then on foot we made our way south to the coastal path. We made our way in the direction of the stack and here we saw Shag *Gulosus aristotelis* on the rocks as well as a couple of Grey Seals *Halichoerus grypus* in the sea below. We then made our way back towards the most southern point in England and we could not help notice the yellow and pink flowered Hottentot Fig *Carpobrotus edulis* as well as the Purple Dewplant *Disphyma crassifolium*. There were also less showy native plants such as Sea Pearlwort *Sagina maritima* and Ciliate Rupturewort *Herniaria glabra*. We decided to have a drink at the café and saw a couple of Red-billed Cough *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*. Then we had a short stroll a bit further along the coastal path to see the Western Ramping Fumitory *Fumaria occidentalis*, then we returned to the minibus and then drove a little closer towards the Housel Bay Hotel still in Lizard and then walked to the drive of the hotel where we found a few plants of Bithynian Vetch *Vicia bithynica* growing on the verge. Then it was back to the Premier Inn for supper and to go through the list of the day's findings.

Day 3 Friday 20th July

Weather: There was some rain to begin with but then it turned cloudy with some sunshine on and off throughout the rest of the day.

As we arrived at Porthwarra, a charm of Goldfinch Carduelis carduelis flew off from the carpark. We first went down to the sea and climbed up onto the coastal path and found a pair of Speckled Wood butterflies Pararge aegeria. Then as we came out on to the open exposed cliffs, we were greeted by a couple of Red-billed Cough Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax which flew by. We saw a number of heath plants that we had seen the day before but the new plant that stood out was the Dodder Cuscuta epithymum sprawling out over a number of Gorse Ulex europaeus bushes. On the wetter areas we found Marsh Pennywort Hydrocotyle vulgaris and Bog Pimpernel Lysimachia (Anagallis) tenella but neither were in flower. We then returned to the café for a drink before setting off to our next destination which was a quick stop off at Land's End where there was a nice display of Ivy Broomrape Orobanche hederae growing on the Atlantic Ivy Hedera hibernica.

Then we drove to Nanquidno Valley where we could hear a Sedge Warbler *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus* singing but the sky was a bit dark at that moment and it never appeared. We walked on down to the sea and looked at the remains of the ruined tin mines there. When we returned to the minibus there was a hybrid plant of Stinking and Yellow Iris.

Then it was up to St Just and then down into the Cot Valley and ending up at Porth Nanven. Here we saw Pearl-bordered Fritillary *Boloria euphrosyne* and Orange Tip *Anthocharis cardamines*. We also had a Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus* flying by. Here there were more tin mine ruins as well as a couple of alien species that were New Zealand Pigmy-weed *Crassula helmsii* and Japanese Knotweed *Reynoutia japonica*. A geological interesting point is the beach is covered in large round pebbles which were formed thousands and thousands of years ago and had been lying in a raised beach created by a change in the sea level. However, today there is a cliff from which these large pebbles fall down onto the existing beach. Another interesting discovery was inside one of the shaft caves and here on the earth floor, was an algal stage of the moss known as Goblin's Gold *Schistostega pennata*. If you were at the correct angle the lens like cells of this green plant reflected the light back at us in the form of a luminous green light which was very magical looking but a natural phenomenon.

Then we set off to Botallack to see complete remains of tin mine chimneys on the cliffs above the sea. We had our late lunch stop here. Then we made our way to Marazion and parked beside the dunes overlooking St Michael's Mount. On the dunes there were a variety of plants to be seen including Hare's-tail Grass Lagurus ovatus, the leaves of the Sea Daffodil Pancratium maritimum, a garden escape Sea Daisy Erigeron glancus but there was also the native Sea-kale Crambe maritima. Whilst on the top of the dunes we could look across the main road towards some wetland and here we saw Garganey Spatula querquedula as well as Little Egret Egretta garzetta and Canada Geese Branta canadensis. We then had a search of the dunes to see if we could find any Smaller Tree-mallow Malva multiflora but did not find any there. However, after searching a nearby flower bed, we found a couple of plants of it but they were still to flower. Back at the minibus we noticed another alien species known as the Duke of Argyll's Tea Plant Lycium barbarum growing on the dunes. Then it was off to the Premier Inn at Helston for our dinner and to do the list. However, on our drive back we had a near miss when a Sparrowhawk Accipter nisus flew straight at the minibus, but luckily, at the last second managed to veer away from impacting with us. So, a very near miss but a good addition to the species list.

# Day 4 Saturday 21st July

Weather: Was cloudy to begin with but later it heated up as the sun came out.

We drove to Lizard and parked on the parking area in the centre of the village. We then set off down to Caerthillian Cove. We headed towards the sea and started searching in the short turf near the sea cliff for clovers. We were soon rewarded by finding Rough Clover *Trifolium scabrum*, Western Clover *Trifolium occidentale* and the impressive Long-headed Clover *Trifolium incarnatum* subsp. *molinerii*. When looking out to sea we noticed a Northern Gannet *Morus bassanus* and it was not long before it dived down and caught a fish. We then headed inland and found a wet flush with Three-lobed Crowfoot Ranunculus tripartitus and after that we made our way back into Lizard. Here we bought our lunches from the pasty shop.

Next stop was Windmill Farm Nature Reserve. Here we went up into the windmill and climbed the spiral staircase and looked out over the Nature Reserve. The site is 85 hectares in size and has a mix of wet heath, ponds, willow woodland and meadow. We heard a Cuckoo throughout the time we spent on the reserve. There

were also Willow Warblers *Phylloscopus trochilus* and Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus collybita* singing all around us in the scrub and a Sedge Warbler *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus* in the reed beside one of the ponds. There were also Barn Swallows *Hirundo rustica* and House Martins *Delichon urbicum* feeding on the small insects buzzing about us.

We followed the nature trail around the reserve and along its route we came across a number of World War Two pillboxes that were installed to protect the small Spitfire airfield that was in use during the war. Whilst going around we found a number of Heath Spotted-orchids Dactylhoriza maculata and some Pale Butterwort Pinguicula lusitanica. There was also Common Blue Damselfly Enallagma cynthigerum, Blue-tailed Damselfly Ischnura elegans, Four-spotted Chaser Libellula quadrimaculata, Large Red Damselfly Pyrrhosoma nymphula and Beautiful Demoiselle Calopteryx virgo. On the boardwalk we came across some basking Common Lizard Zootoca vivipara. When we arrived back at the minibus, we then took out our pasties and tucked into a taste of Cornwall. Then it was back to the hotel in Helston and time to say our goodbyes to each other.

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# **Species lists**

#### **Plants**

(\* = Very localised distribution or endemic; [] = Planted or Naturalised)

Nomenclature contained within this list follows the New Flora of the British Isles (4th edn) by Clive Stace

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
PTERIDOPHYTES  Calamophytes	FERNS & ALLIES Horsetails	
Equisetaceae	Horsetail Family	
Equisetum arvense	Field Horsetail	Nanquidno
Equisetum fluviatile	Water Horsetail	Caerthillian Cove
Leptosporangiate Ferns	True Ferns	
Aspleniacae	Spleenwort Family	
Asplenium adiantum-nigrum	Black Spleenwort	Kynance Cove
Asplenium marinum	Sea Spleenwort	Kynance Cove
Asplenium scolopendrium	Hart's-tongue	Gunwalloe
Athyriaceae	Lady Fern Family	
Athyrium filix-femina	Lady-fern	Gew-graze Valley
Dennstaeditiaceae	Bracken Family	
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken	Kynance
Dryopteridaceae	Buckler-fern Family	
Dryopteris affinis	Scaly Male-fern	Gew-graze Valley
Dryopteris dilatata	Broad Buckler-fern	Gew-graze Valley
Dryopteris filix-mas	Male-fern	Gew-graze Valley
Polystichum setiferum	Soft Shield-fern	Gew-graze Valley
Osmundaceae	Royal Fern Family	
Osmunda regalis	Royal Fern	Gew-graze Valley
Polypodiaceae	Polypody Family	
Polypodium interjectum	Western Polypody	Nanquidno
Polypodium vulgare	Common Polypody	Nanquidno
GYMNOSPERMS	CONIFERS	
Cupressaceae	Juniper Family	
Cupressus macrocarpa	Monterey Cypress	Culdrose
Pinaceae	Pine Family	
[Pinus radiata]	Monterey Pine	Culdrose
[Pinus sylvestris]	Scots Pine	Outside Helston
ANGIOSPERMS	FLOWERING PLANTS	

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**True Dicotyledons** 

Lizard

**Acanthus Family** 

Bear's Breeches

**Eu-Dicots** 

Acanthaceae

Acanthus mollis

Aceraceae Maple Family

Acer pseudoplatanusSycamoreGunwalloeAcer campestreField MapleHotel car park

Aizoaceae Ice-plant Family

Carpobrotus edulisHottentot FigLizard PointDisphyma crassifoliumPurple DewplantLizard Point

Amaranthaceae (Chenopodiaceae) Goosefoot Family

Atriplex laciniataFrosted OracheMarazionAtriplex prostrataSpear-leaved OrachePoldhueBeta vulgaris subsp. maritimaSea BeetGunwalloeChenopodium albumFat-henKynance

Apiaceae Carrot Family

Angelica sylvestris Wild Angelica (leaves) Cot Valley Apium nodiflorum Fool's Water-cress (leaves) Poldhu Anthriscus sylvestris Cow Parsley Gunwalloe Crithmum marritimum Rock Samphire (leaves) Gunwalloe Heracleum sphondylium Hogweed (leaves) Gunwalloe Wild Carrot Gunwalloe Daucus carota Eryngium maritimum Sea-holly Gunwalloe Hydrocotye vulgaris Marsh Pennywort Nanquidno Hemlock Water-dropwort Oenanthe crocata Gunwalloe Smyrnium olusatrum Alexanders Gunwalloe

Apocynaceae Periwinkle Family

[Vinca major] Greater Periwinkle Lizard

Aquifoliaceae Holly Family

Ilex aquifolium Holly Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Aralaceae Ivy Family

Hedera helixIvyPorthgwarraHedera hibernicaAtlantic IvyGunwalloe

Betulaceae Birch Family

Alnus glutinosa Alder Gew-graze Valley
Corylus avellana Hazel Hotel carpark

Boraginaceae Forget-me-not Family

Borago officinalisBorageRoadsidesMyosotis secundaCreeping Forget-me-notCot ValleyMyosotis ramosissimaEarly Forget-me-notLizard

Brassicaceae Cabbage Family

Lizard Alliaria petiolata Garlic Mustard Arabidopsis thaliana **Thale Cress** Lizard Brassica napus Oil-seed Rape Road sides Brassica nigra Black Mustard Road sides Capsella bursa-pastoris Shepherd's Purse Lizard Cardamine hirsuta Hairy Bitter-cress Lizard Cardamine pratensis Cuckoo Flower **Kynance** Lesser Swine-cress Coronopus didymus Kynance

Scientific Name Common Name Location Draba verna Whitlow grass Lizard Crambe maritima Sea-kale Marazion Road sides Lunaria annua Honesty Cakile maritima Sea Rocket Poldhu Raphanus raphanistrum ssp. maritima Sea Radish Gunwalloe Charlock Road sides Sinapis arvensis Sisymbrium officinale Hedge Mustard Lizard

Buddlejaceae Butterfly-bush Family

Buddleja davidii Buddleja Lizard

Campanulaceae Bellflower Family

Jasione montana Sheep's-bit Kynance

Cannabaceae Hemp Family

Humulus lupulus Hop Cot Valley

Caprifoliaceae Honeysuckle Family

Lonicera periclymenumHoneysucklePoldhuSambucus nigraElderGunwalloe

Caryophyllaceae Pink Family

Thyme-leaved Sandwort Lizard Arenaria serpyllifolia subsp. serpyllifolia Thrift Gunwalloe Armeria maritima Common Star-wort Callitriche stagnalis **Kynance** Cerastium fontanum Common Mouse-ear Kynance Cerastium glomeratum Sticky Mouse-ear Lizard Herniaria ciliolata Fringed Rupturewort **Kynance** Honckenya peploides Sea Sandwort **Kynance** Sagina apetala **Annual Pearlwort** Poldhu Sagina maritima Sea Pearlwort Lizard Point Sagina procumbens Procumbent Pearlwort Kynance Silene dioica **Red Campion** Gunwalloe Silene maritima Sea Campion Gunwalloe Silene vulgaris (leaves only) **Bladder Campion** Poldhu Greater Stitchwort Stellaria holostea Porthgwarra

Compositae (Asteraceae) Daisy Family

Achillea millefolium (leaves only)YarrowCot ValleyAnthemis nobilisChamomile (leaves)KynanceArctium minusLesser BurdockLizard PointArtemisia vulgaris (leaves only)MugwortKynanceBellis perennisDaisyGunwalloe

Carlina vulgaris (dead flower heads only)Carline ThistleGew-graze ValleyCentaurea nigra (leaves only)Common KnapweedGew-graze Valley

Cirsium arvense Creeping Thistle Poldhu

Cirsium palustre Marsh Thistle Gew-graze Valley

Cirsium vulgare Spear Thistle Poldhu Erigeron glaucus Seaside Daisy Marazion Mexican Wall Daisy Marazion Erigeron karvinskianus Kynance Eupatorium cannabinum Hemp Agrimony Glebionis segetum Corn Marigold Marazion Gunwalloe Helminthotheca echioides Bristly Oxtongue (leaves) Poldhu Common Cat's-ear Hypochaeris radicata

Jacobaea aquatica Marsh Ragwort Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Jacobaea vulgaris Common Ragwort Lizard Poldhu Leucanthemum vulgare Ox-eye Daisy Lizard Matricaria discoides Pineapple Mayweed **Kynance** Pilosella officinarum Mouse-ear Hawkweed Poldhu Pulicaria dysenterica Common Fleabane (leaves) Senecio vulgaris Groundsel Lizard Smooth Sowthistle Gunwalloe Sonchus oleraceus Cot Valley Sonchus arvensis Perennial Sowthistle Gunwalloe Dandelion Taraxacum agg

Tripleurosperum maritimum Sea Mayweed Gunwalloe

Convolvulaceae Bindweed Family

Calystegia sepium (leaves only)Hedge BindweedGunwalloeCalystegia soldanellaSea BindweedGunwalloeConvolvulus arvensis (leaves only)Field BindweedGunwalloeCuscuta epithymumCommon DodderPorthgwarra

Crassulaceae Stonecrop Family

Crassula helmsiiNew Zealand Pigmy-weedCot ValleySedum acreBiting StonecropKynance Cove

Sedum anglicum English Stonecrop Poldhu

Dipsacaceae Teasel Family

Dipsacus fullonumTeasel (last year's dead plants)RoadsidesKnautia arvensisField ScabiousPoldhu

Succisa pratensis Devil's-bit Scabious Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Ericaceae Heather Family

Calluna vulgarisLingKynanceErica cinereaBell HeathKynance

Erica tetralix Cross-leaved Heath Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Erica vagans Cornish Heath Gunwalloe

Euphorbiaceae Spurge Family

Euphorbia paralias Sea Spurge Marazion

Euphorbia peplus Petty Spurge Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Fagaceae Beech Family

Fagus sylvaticaBeechHelstonQuercus roburPedunculate OakHelston

Geraniaceae Crane's-bill Family

Erodium cicutarium Common Stork's-bill Lizard Erodium maritimum Sea Stork's-bill Marazion Geranium dissectum Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Lizard Geranium molle Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Lizard Geranium pratense Meadow Crane's-bill Roadsides Geranium robertianum Herb Robert Lizard

Geranium sanguineum Bloody Crane's-bill Kynance Cove

Hypericaceae St. John's-wort Family

Hypericum hirsutum (leaves only) Hairy St. John's-wort Kynance

LamiaceaeDead-nettle FamilyAjuga reptansBugleKynanceGlechoma hederaceaGround IvyKynance

Mentha aquatica Water Mint Gew-graze Valley

Stachys officinalisBetony (leaves)KynanceThymus drucei (polytrichus)Wild ThymePoldhu

Leguminosae (Fabaceae) Pea Family

Anthyllis vulneraria Kidney Vetch Gunwalloe

Cytisus scoparius ssp maritimusProstate BroomGew-graze ValleyGenista anglicaPetty WhinKynance CoveGenista pilosaHairy GreenweedKynance CoveGenista tinctoriaDyer's GreenweedKynance CoveLotus corniculatusBird's-foot TrefoilGunwalloe

 Lotus pedunculatus
 Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil
 Gew-graze Valley

 Lotus subbiflorus
 Hairy Bird's-foot Trefoil
 Lizard Point

 Medicago arabica
 Spotted Medick
 Lizard Point

 Medicago lupulina
 Black Medick
 Kynance Cove

 Oponis repens (leaves only)
 Common Restharrow
 Gunwalloe

Ononis repens (leaves only)Common RestharrowGunwalloeTrifolium bocconeiTwin-headed CloverKynance CoveTrifolium dubiumLesser TrefoilGunwalloeTrifolium hybridumAlsike CloverLizard PointTrifolium incarnatum ssp. molineriiLong-flowered CloverCaerlithilian Cove

Trifolium occidentaleWestern CloverPoldhuTrifolium pratenseRed CloverLizardTrifolium repensWhite CloverGunwalloe

Trifolium scabrum Rough Clover Gew-graze Valley Trifolium striatum **Knotted Clover Kynance Cove** Ulex europaeus European Gorse Gunwalloe Poldhu Ulex minor **Dwarf Gorse** Vicia bithynica Bithynian Vetch Lizard Common Vetch Lizard Point Vicia sativa subsp.segetalis

Vicia tetrasperma Smooth Tare Caerlithilian Cove

Lentibulariaceae Bladderwort Family

Pinguicula lusitanica Pale Butterwort Windmill Farm

Linaceae Flax Family

Linum bienne Pale Flax Gew-graze Valley

Malvaceae Mallow Family

Lavatera arboreaTree-mallowGunwalloeMalva multiflora (Lavatera cretica)Smaller Tree-mallowMarazionMalva sylvestris (leaves only)Common MallowGunwalloe

Oleaceae Olive Family

Fraxinus excelsior Ash Cot Valley

Onagraceae Willowherb Family

Epilobium hirsutumGreat Willowherb (leaves only)GunwalloeEpilobium ciliatumAmerican WillowherbWindmill Farm

Orobanchaceae Broomrape Family

Euphrasia sp. Eyebright Kynance

Scientific Name

Orobanche alba Orobanche hederae Parentucellia viscosa Pedicularis sylvatica Rhinanthus minor agg. Common Name
Thyme Broomrape

Ivy BroomrapeLands' EndYellow Bartsia (leaves only)KynanceLousewortKynanceYellow RattleWindmill Farm

Location

Kynance

Papaveraceae

Fumaria occidentalis Fumaria officinalis Papaver rhoeas Poppy Family

Western Ramping Fumitory Lizard
Common Fumitory Botallack
Common Poppy Marazion

Plantaginaceae

Plantago lanceolata Plantago major Plantago maritima Plantago media Plantago coronopus **Plantain Family** 

Ribwort Plantain Gunwalloe
Greater Plantain Poldhu
Sea Plantain Gunwalloe
Hoary Plantain Lizard
Buck's-horn Plantain Gunwalloe

Polygalaceae

Polygala serpyllifolia Polygala vulgaris **Milkwort Family** 

Heath Milkwort Kynance
Common Milkwort Gew-graze Valley

Polygonaceae

Fallopia japonica Rumex crispa Polygonum maritimum Rumex acetosa Rumex obtusifolius **Knotweed Family** 

Japanese Knotgrass Cot Valley
Curled Dock Poldhu
Sea Knotgrass Poldhu
Common Sorrel Poldhu
Broad-leaved Dock Gunwalloe

Primulaceae

Lysimachia (Anagallis) arvensis Lysimachia (Anagallis) tenella Lysimachia (Glaux) maritima Primula vulgaris **Primrose Family** 

Scarlet Pimpernel Kynance Cove
Bog Pimpernel Gew-graze Valley
Sea Milkwort Gunwalloe

Primrose Gew-graze Valley

Ranunculaceae

Clematis vitalba
Ficaria verna
Ranunculus acris
Ranunculus bulbosus
Ranunculus flammula
Ranunculus repens
Ranunculus tripartitus

**Buttercup Family** 

Old Man's Beard Poldhu
Lesser Celandine Gunwalloe
Meadow Buttercup Kynance
Bulbous Buttercup Kynance
Lesser Spearwort Windmill Farm
Creeping Buttercup Gunwalloe
Three-lobed Crowfoot Kynance

Rosaceae

Crataegus monogyna Filipendula vulgaris Geum urbanum Potentilla anserina Potentilla erecta Potentilla reptans Prunus avium Prunus spinosa Rosa pimpinellifolia **Rose Family** 

Helston Hawthorn Dropwort **Kynance** Wood Avens Nanquidio Silverweed Gunwalloe **Tormentil Kynance Cove** Creeping Cinquefoil Gunwalloe Wild Cherry Roadsides Blackthorn Gunwalloe **Burnet Rose** Kynance

Scientific NameCommon NameLocationRosa rugosaJapanese RoseMarazionRubus caesiusDew BerryLizardRubus fruticosus agg.BrambleGunwalloeSanguisorba officnalisGreat Burnet (leaves only)Kynance

Salicaceae Willow Family

Salix cinereaGrey WillowGunwalloeSalix repensCreeping WillowKynanceSalix viminalisOsierCot Valley

Scrophulariaceae Figwort Family

Scrophularia nodosa Common Figwort Cot Valley

Solanaceae Potato Family

Lycium babarumDuke of Argyll's Tea PlantMarazionSolanum dulcamaraWoody NightshadePoldhuSolanum tuberosumPotatoLizard

Ulmaceae Elm Family

Ulmus minor subsp. cornubiensis Cornish Elm Porthgwarra

Urticaceae Nettle Family

Parietaria judaiacaPellitory-of-the-WallKynanceUrtica dioicaStinging NettleGunwalloe

Valerian Family

Centranthus ruberRed ValerianPoldhuValerianella officinalisCommon ValerianLizardValerianella locustaCommon Corn saladLizard

Veronicaceae Speedwell Family

Cymbalaria muralisIvy-leaved ToadflaxLizardLinaria purpureaPurple ToadflaxLizardDigitalis purpureaFoxgloveGunwalloeVeronica arvensisWall SpeedwellHelstonVeronica persicaCommon Field SpeedwellLizard

Violaceae Violet Family

Viola reichenbachianaEarly Dog VioletGunwalloeViola rivinianaCommon Dog VioletPoldhuViola lacteaPale VioletKynance

Monocoty Monocotyledons

Amaryllidaceae Daffodil Family

Allium ampeloprasum var babingtonii Babington's Leek Gunwalloe
Allium roseum Rosy Garlic Kynance

Allium schoenoprasum Wild Chive Gew-graze Valley

Allium triquetrum Three-cornered Leek Poldhu
Pancratium maritimum Sea Daffodil (leaves) Marazion

Araceae Lords-and-Ladies Family

Lemna minor Small Duckweed Cot Valley

Asparagaceae Asparagus Family

Scientific NameCommon NameLocationHyacinthoides non-scriptaBluebellGunwalloeHyacinthoides x massartianaHybrid BluebellPoldhuRuscus aculeatusButcher's-broomGunwallowScilla vernaSpring SquillKynance

Dioscoreaceae Black Bryony Family

Dioscorea (Tamus) communis Black Bryony Cot Valley

Iridaceae Iris Family

Crocosmia x crocosmifoliaMontbretia (leaves)GunwalloeGladiolus communis subsp. byzantinusWhistling JackGunwalloeIris foetidissima (leaves only)Stinking Iris or Gladdon (leaves)GunwalloeIris pseudacorusYellow IrisPoldhu

Orchidaceae Orchid Family

Dactyhoriza maculataHeath Spotted-orchidKynanceOrchis masculaEarly-purple OrchidPoldhu

Poaceae Grass Family

Aira caryophyllea Silver Hair-grass Gew-graze Valley Alopecurus geniculatus Marsh Foxtail **Kynance** Ammophila arenaria Marram Grass Gunwalloe False-oat Grass Roadsides Arrhenatherum elatius Poldhu Anthoxanthum odoratum **Sweet Vernal Grass** Brachypodium sylvaticum False Brome (leaves) Poldhu Briza maxima **Greater Quaking Grass** Porthgwarra Bromus hordeaceus Soft Brome Poldhu Bromus sterilis Barren Brome **Kynance** Dactylis glomerata Cock's-foot Gunwalloe

Deschampsia cespitosa Tufted Hair-grass Gew-graze Valley

Glyceria fluitans Flote-grass Kynance
Festuca rubra Red Fescue Gunwalloe

Holcus lanatusYorkshire FogWindmill Farm Nature ReserveHordeum murinumWall BarleyWindmill Farm Nature Reserve

Lagurus ovatus Hare's-tail Grass Marazion Lolium perrene Perennial Rye-grass Lizard Molinia caerulea Purple Moor-grass Nanquidno Phragmites australis Common Reed Gunwalloe Poa annua Annual Meadow-grass Gunwalloe Poa pratensis **Smooth Meadow-grass** Lizard Poa trivialis Rough Meadow-grass Cot Valley

Cyperacae Sedge Family

Carex acutiformisLesser Pond SedgeGunwalloeCarex arenariaSand SedgeGunwalloeCarex dioicaDistant SedgeKynanceCarex flaccaGlaucous SedgeKynance

Carex distichia Brown Sedge Beside path to Caerthillian Cove

Carex hirta Hairy Sedge Gunwalloe
Carex panicea Carnation Sedge Kynance
Carex pendula Pendulous Sedge Nanquidno
Carex pulicaris Flea Sedge Kynance
Carex viridula ssp oedocarpa Common Yellow Sedge Kynance

Eleocharis multicaulis Many-stemmed Spike-rush Gew-graze Valley

Eleocharis palustris Common Spike-rush Windmill Farm Nature Reserve

Juncaceae Rush Family

Isolepis setaceaBristle Club-rushGew-graze ValleyJuncus acutiflorusSharp-flowered Rush (leaves)Gew-graze Valley

Juncus effusus Soft Rush Kynance

Juncus inflexus Hard Rush Gew-graze Valley

Luzula campestrisField WoodrushKynanceLuzula multifloraHeath WoodrushKynanceSchoenus nigricansBlack Bog-rushGunwalloe

Fungi

Calvatia gigantea Giant Puff-ball Kynance

#### Birds (H = Heard only)

		July 2022			
Common name	Scientific name	18	19	20	21
Canada Goose	Branta canadensis			✓	
Garganey	Spatula querquedula			✓	
Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	✓			
Northern Fulmar	Fulmarus glacialis		✓		
Common Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus		✓		
Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus			✓	
Little Egret	Egretta garzetta			✓	
Eurasian Shag	Gulosus aristotelis		✓		
Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo		✓		
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus			✓	
Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo		✓	✓	✓
Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus			✓	
Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	✓		✓	
Eurasian Oystercatcher	Haematopus ostralegus	Н	✓	✓	
Black-legged Kittiwake	Rissa tridactyla		✓		
Great Black-backed Gull	Larus marinus		✓		
European Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus		✓	✓	✓
Rock Dove/ Feral Pigeon	Columba livia			✓	✓
Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto		✓	✓	
Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus		✓		Н
Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica		✓	✓	✓
Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax	2	5	3	
Western Jackdaw	Coloeus monedula	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rook	Corvus frugilegus		✓	✓	
Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	✓	✓		✓
Northern Raven	Corvus corax		✓		✓
Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus		✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis		✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Sand Martin	Riparia riparia			<b>✓</b>	
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica		✓	<b>√</b>	
Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum				<b>✓</b>

		July 2022			
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Willow Warbler	Phylloscopus trochilus				✓
Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita		Н	✓	✓
Sedge Warbler	Acrocephalus schoenbaerus			Н	Н
Lesser Whitethroat	Curruca corruca		✓		✓
Common Whitethroat	Curruca communis		✓	✓	
Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla				Н
Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		Н	✓	✓
Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris		✓	✓	✓
Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	✓	✓	✓	✓
Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos				✓
European Robin	Erithacus rubecula		✓	✓	✓
Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra		✓		
European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola		✓		✓
Norther Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe		✓		
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus		✓	✓	✓
Dunnock	Prunella modularis			✓	✓
Pied Wagtail	Motacilla alba		✓	✓	✓
Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis			✓	
Rock Pipit	Anthus petrosus	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs		✓	✓	✓
Green Finch	Chloris chloris				✓
Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓	✓	✓
European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis			✓	
Eurasian Bullfinch	Pyrrhula pyrrhula				✓

#### Mammals

		July 2022			
Common name	Scientifica name	18	19	20	21
Atlantic Grey Seal	Halichoerus grypus		5		
European Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus		✓	✓	✓

## Amphibians & Reptiles

1	Common Lizard	Zootoca vivipara			✓
2	Common Frog	Rana temporaria (tadpoles)	✓	✓	✓
3	Common Toad	Bufo bufo			✓

## Butterflies

1	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines		✓	✓
2	Clouded Yellow	Colias croceus	✓		
3	Small White	Pieris rapae	✓		✓
4	Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas	✓		
5	Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus	✓	✓	✓
6	Painted Lady	Vanessa cardui			✓
7	Pearl-bordered Fritillary	Boloria euphrosyne	✓	✓	
8	Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria	✓	✓	✓
9	Wall Brown	Lasiommata megera	✓	✓	✓

Other invertebrates

Blue-tailed Damselfly, *Ischnura elegans*Broad- bodied Chaser, *Libellula depressa*Common Blue Damselfly, *Enallagma cyathigerum*Four-spotted Chaser, *Libellula quadrimaculata*Honey Bee, *Apis mellifera*Cinnabar Moth, *Tyria jacobaeae* 

Beautiful Demoiselle, *Calopteryx virgo*Azure Damselfly, *Coenagrion puella*Large Red Damselfly, *Pyrrhosoma nymphula*Pond Skater, *Gerris lacustris*White-tailed Bumblebee, *Bombus lucorum*