Corsica - The Scented Isle

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Corsican Scenery

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Richard Lansdown & Andrew Bray (leaders) with 10 Naturetrek clients

Day 1

Sunday 6th May

We met the group from their flight at Bastia airport and headed straight out in light drizzle across the island, stopping briefly at Ponte Leccia for coffee and at the small market at l'Isle Rousse to buy fresh vegetables and local dried sausage. We headed down the west coast to Galeria for lunch, seeing flocks of migrating hirundines, as well as a pair of Peregrines and noting the changes from the Poppies (*Papaver rhoeas*) and Woad (*Isatis tinctoria*) associated with agricultural land, to the maquis, characterised by Holm Oak (*Quercus ilex*), Strawberry Tree (*Arbutus unedo*), Tree Heather (*Erica arborea*) and a range of *Cistus* species on steeper slopes and along the coast. While we were having lunch more flocks of swallows and martins flew north overhead, Yellow-legged Gulls drifted along the coast, a sub-adult Montagu's Harrier hunted over the hillside and an Osprey flew south overhead. After lunch we took a short walk around the immediate area to look at species such as White Ramping-fumitory (*Fumaria capreolata*) and Common Stork's-bill (*Erodium cicutarium*), the architectural Giant Fennel (Ferula communis) and Blue Hound's-tongue (*Cynoglossum creticum*), as well as the Corsican endemics: Corsican Stork's-bill (*Erodium corsicum*), *Limonium corsicum* and the curious *Polygonum scoparium*.

We then continued south through the maquis on increasingly winding roads, stopping briefly at a bridge over a small stream to look at wild Grape Vines (Vitis vinifera) draped over the Holm Oaks, as well as Long-leaved Snowflake (Acis longifolia), Spring Sowbread (Cyclamen repandum), Corsican Woundwort (Stachys corsica) and Starry Clover (Trifolium stellatum), with Lanceolate (Asplenium obovatum) and Maidenhair (Asplenium trichomanes) Spleenworts on the rock outcrops and Toothed Clubmoss (Selaginella denticulata) in more humid areas growing through carpets of the moss Polytrichum juniperinum. We stopped again to admire the view at one point, whilst hundreds of hirundines poured up the valley, accompanied by a flock of Bee-eaters, as well as smaller numbers of Common and Alpine Swifts. After one final, rapid stop to photograph the striking Tree Spurge (Euphorbia dendroides), we dropped down into the little harbour at Porto admiring the curious grass-like fern Land Quillwort (Isoetes histrix), with Slender Club-rush (Isolepis cernua) and Dwarf Rush (Juncus capitatus) on a flushed bank alongside the road and, while we were sitting at the café, the sun came out. Once refreshed, we drive the final few kilometres up to Evisa, past rock faces festooned with Corsican Saxifrage (Saxifraga corsica) and at higher altitude the white flowers of the Manna Ash (Fraxinus ornus) growing both scattered through the forest and in lines up steeper valleys. The local pigs (a characteristic element of the local cuisine) were being fed in laybys along the road and so we slowed down to avoid hitting tourists stopping cars and walking in the middle of the road to photograph them; there was no risk to the pigs which have excellent road sense!

Once at the hotel Aitone in Evisa which was to be our home for the next three nights, most of us took a little while to refresh ourselves before dinner, although there were a few hardy souls who went out birdwatching before the meal and again to listen to Scop's Owls afterwards. During dinner, cloud slowly wandered up the valley until by the time had finished, nothing could be seen of the spectacular views from the restaurant.

Day 2

Monday 7th May

The day dawned bright and sunny, so Andrew led an early morning walk up through the village to see what birds were around. It was fairly quiet but the group saw Cirl Buntings and heard a Cuckoo. After breakfast, we headed uphill to the Foret d'Aitone where we first walked along a forest ride running alongside extensive flushes, which

created a series of pools along the margin of the track which supported a number of wetland plants, including Soft Rush (Juncus effusus), Corsican Mint (Mentha requienci), Blinks (Montia fontana subsp. chondrosperma) and the diminutive Myosotis pusillus, as well as carpets of Common Dog-violet (Viola riviniana) and Lesser Celandine (Ranunculus flammula). We then moved onto a broad expanse of exposed bedrock which is the home of a small population of Bedriaga's Rock Lizard, as well as the more widespread Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard, both of which were performing well in the sunshine, while a few Corsican Finches came down to drink from pools and we heard a flock of Corsican Crossbills, but they remained frustratingly out of sight. The rocks also support good populations of Gagea soleirolii, Sedum brevifolium and Saxifraga pedemontana subsp. cervicornis, although only a few of the flowers of the Saxifrage were open. We then dropped down through the forest for a short distance and walked along another track leading to an abandoned chestnut mill where a Cuckoo was calling and flying around the road giving some excellent views. The track is bordered for part of its length by rocks and a wall which support a wide range of ferns, including Lady-fern (Athyrium filix-femina), Diaphanous Bladder-fern (Cystopteris diaphana), Brittle Bladder-fern (C. fragilis), a Scaly Male-fern (Dryopteris affinis) and Soft Shield-fern (Polystichum setiferum), with Royal Fern (Osmunda regalis) and Hard-fern (Blechnum spicant) around the waterfall near the mill. The rocks around the mill also support mats of Narthecium reverchonii, as well as occasional Italian Garlic (Allium pendulinum) and Round-leaved Saxifrage (Saxifraga rotundifolia). We then drove toward the coast at Sagone, having lunch at a picnic spot on the way. Our lunch was enlivened by a small Tyrrhenian Lizard which appeared to live in the logs that we were treating as tables and kept climbing onto our food, before being chased away for being unhygienic, while much of the ground was covered with the local Small-flowered Buttercup (Ranunculus parviflora subsp. chius).

At Sagone we stopped briefly at a beach café with what were described as "the best toilets [we] have ever seen", with hundreds of Sea-grass (*Posidonia*) "balls" on the tide line and two Ospreys overhead, both carrying fish, before heading on to the area of dunes beyond the Liamone River. The dunes themselves held Tawny Pipit, European Wheatear, Greater Short-toed Larks and a mixed flock of Linnets and Corsican Finches, as well as a spectacular array of plants including Yellow Horned-poppy (*Glaucium flavum*), Sea Stock (*Matthiola sinuata*), Three-horned Stock (*M. tricuspidata*), Sea Medick (*Medicago marina*), Common Poppy (*Papaver rhoeas*) and Sea Knot-grass (*Polygonum maritimum*). We then crossed the road to look out over the adjacent fields which were alive with birds including Bee-eater, Corn Bunting, Red-backed Shrike, Sardinian Warbler, Spotless Starling, Stonechat and Zitting Cisticola. After watching these for an hour or so we headed home, stopping at the rubbish tip to watch Red Kites, with a few Ravens and Common Buzzards and then at the Col de Sevi where we looked for *Sylvia* warblers but only saw Cirl Buntings. Then it was back to Evisa for dinner and sleep.

Day 3

Tuesday 8th May

Another bright and sunny day; there was no formal pre-breakfast walk because we had to drop one of the vehicles down to Ota but a few of the group did go out and managed to see some good birds, including a Wryneck. After breakfast we walked down through the village to start our descent of the Spelunca Gorge, watching Alpine, Common and Pallid Swifts over and around the rooftops and Serins displaying in the trees. Once we reached the bottom of the village, we admired stands of Tongue Orchid (*Serapias lingua*) and Narrow-leaved Lupin (*Lupinus angustifolius*) in a field opposite the graveyard and then started to follow the ancient track which formerly served as the only route to the village and was used to transport chestnut flour to Porto and then supplies to Evisa by return. The route down to the river is steep over rocks or gravel, much of which is unstable underfoot; it takes the whole morning and is not to be undertaken lightly. Initially it runs in deep shade through

stands of Corsican (*Pinus nigra* subsp. *laricio*) and Maritime (*P. pinaster*) Pines over a deep layer of needles, broken only by scattered Spring Sowbread, Round-leaved Bedstraw (*Galium rotundifolium*), *Moehringia pentandra* and non-flowering *Cytisus* plants.

Gradually, the pines give way initially to Holm Oak (Quercus ilex) and Strawberry Tree (Arbutus unedo), under which there is an increase in the diversity of the ground flora as more light reaches the ground through gaps in the canopy. Interestingly, many of the species in the ground flora at this level are characteristic of arable fields in northern Europe, such as Scarlet Pimpernel (Anagallis arvensis), including the blue subspecies foemina, Petty Spurge (Euphorbia peplus), Dense-flowered Fumitory (Fumaria densiflora), Common Ramping-fumitory (F. muralis), Henbit Dead-nettle (Lamium amplexicaule), Cut-leaved Dead-nettle (L. hybridum), Annual Knawel (Scleranthus annuus) and Field Madder (Sherardia arvensis). At this level, occasional bends provide larger openings in the canopy, allowing views of the towering cliffs above, including a brief glimpse of a Golden Eagle by one of the party, but only Ravens and goats for the rest. Further down, the Holm Oak gives way to a more dense maquis, with tall Box (Buxus sempervirens) and Tree Heather becoming prominent, here the canopy is even more broken and the vegetation alongside the path more diverse and flower-rich with beautiful pink-and-white Corsican Woundwort (Stachys corsica), Spotted Rock-rose (Tuberaria guttata), Spring Rock-rose (T. praecox) and a whole range of Geranium species, including Long-stalked (G. columbinum), Cut-leaved (G. dissectum), Shining (G. lucidum), Dove's-foot (G. molle), Little Robin (G. purpureum), Hedgerow (G. pyrenaicum), Herb-Robert (G. robertianum) and Round-leaved (G. rotundifolium), amongst which Tyrrhenian Wall Lizards skittered and squabbled over the stones. Highlights of the descent were the curious aroid Friar's Cowl (Arisarum vulgare) and the similar, but unrelated, endemic, Aristolochia tyrrhena. At the bottom of the slope, we had lunch beside the beautiful Genoese Zaglia bridge over a tributary of the main river, under Alders (Alnus glutinosa) which shade large stands of Royal Fern.

After lunch we followed the relatively easy route undulating alongside the river toward Ota, which is lined with flowers, including banks covered with Long-leaved Snowflake (*Acis longifolia*), Three-cornered Garlic (*Allium triquetrum*), Jersey Fern (*Anagramma leptophylla*), Italian Lords-and-ladies (*Arum italicum*), Blue Hound's-tongue, Mountain Melick (*Melica nutans*), Tassel Hyacinth (*Leopoldia comosa*), Bird's-foot (*Ornithopus compressus*), *Petrorhagia velutina*, Shepherd's-cress (*Teesdalia nudicaulis*) and Field Pansy (*Viola arvensis*), with the pungent Sticky Woundwort (*Stachys glutinosa*) in places and extensive stands of Illyrian Sea Daffodil (*Pancratium illyricum*) on the slopes below the track.

Once we reached the double bridge, we collected the vehicle and drove up to Ota for refreshments, the final people getting into the vehicle literally seconds before the heavens opened and heavy rain began. One group then stayed in the bar while we took the others back to the hotel, on the way back up with the second group we stopped briefly to look at some of the species growing on the steep cliffs along the road, including *Arenaria balearica*, *Hypochaeris robertia* and Corsican Saxifrage. The rain continued, albeit lighter through the evening but that didn't stop Scop's Owls from calling through the night.

Day 4

Wednesday 9th May

The morning started out sunny and beautiful, the sun shining as cloud gradually worked its way up the valley toward the hotel, Blackbirds singing, a Raven calling down in the valley and a Great Spotted Woodpecker drumming. The early morning walk turned up a few things, including a Spotted Flycatcher but mainly the usual species. After breakfast we loaded up our bags and headed up to the Col de Vergio where conditions were perfect, still, warm and sunny. We watched Woodlarks and displaying Corsican Finches as we walked up the slope, admiring swards of *Gagea soleirolii* and Common Dog-violet among the domes of *Genista salzmannii* var. *lobelioides* and low-growing Juniper (*Juniperus communis*) bushes, as well as scattered bushes of *Berberis aetnensis*. However the vegetation on the slope was very badly damaged by fire and over-grazing and few of the species recorded on previous visits could be found. Some areas had been fenced, presumably to allow the vegetation to recover, but most of the vegetation was very species-poor. Further up, we had very good views of a Wryneck on a tree near the track as Swifts screamed overhead and spotted a single Mouflon feeding on the slope opposite, but cloud suddenly swept up from the valley and obscured everything. We returned to the cars and before we had gone a kilometre, it started raining very heavily.

Once down in the valley, we managed to get out from under the clouds for half an hour for a drink in a café, watching Ravens overhead, including two which fell for hundreds of metres locked in apparent combat. However the rain caught up with us again and we headed on east away from the mountains. We managed to get far enough ahead of the rain to eat lunch down by the river near Corte with a Nightingale singing and Tyrrhenian Wall Lizards scurrying around on the rocks, while thunder sounded closer and closer, then just as we cleared up, the rain started so we headed to Corte where everyone spent a couple of hours visiting the museum and watching the rain from various cafes. After lunch we went to the Hotel E Caselle near Venaco which was to be our home for the next few nights and settled in. During the evening the rain stopped and we were able to watch frogs in the ponds.

Day 5

Thursday 10th May

When we woke, the valley was shrouded in fog but before breakfast this had burnt off, with the promise of a beautiful day. The pre-breakfast walk, again, produced a range of birds, including three Mediterranean Flycatchers but nothing else of particular note. After breakfast we headed east to Aleria where we bought lunch, while some of the group made the most of the opportunity to browse the supermarket, but others remained with the cars, watching Italian Sparrow, House Martins, Red Kites and Hooded Crows, as well as two probable Carrion Crows and two Jackdaws around the car park. We then headed down to the beach for a drink in the sun, hoping to see birds on the sea but there was nothing about. After coffee we took a quick walk around a field next to the café to look at a range of arable weeds in a failed garlic crop, including Purple Viper's-bugloss (*Echium plantagineum*), White Ramping-fumitory, Corn Marigold (*Glebionis segetum*), Hairy Vetchling (*Lathyrus hirsutus*), Long-headed Poppy (*Papaver dubium* subsp. *dubium*), Common Poppy and non-native Opium Poppy (*P. somniferum*), with a large stand of Branched Horsetail (*Equisetum ramosissimum*) alongside the road.

Our next stop was the low hill overlooking a bay on the Etang d'Urbino where we saw a wide range of birds, including a small flock of Cattle Egrets, another two Jackdaws, Marsh Harriers, Common Buzzards and Sardinian Warblers, whilst admiring a wide range of plants in the hedges and adjacent field, including the beautiful Rosy Garlic (*Allium roseum*), Narrow-leaved Cistus (*Cistus monspeliensis*), Field Gladiolus (*Gladiolus italicus*), Fodder Pea (*Lathyrus annuus*), Yellow Vetchling (*L. aphaca*), Hairy Vetchling, Sweet Pea (*L. odoratus*), to both subspecies of Madder (*Rubia peregrina* subsp. *peregrina* and subsp. *requienii*) and Common Smilax (*Smilax aspera*) with long, hanging, bunches of berries. We then dropped down to use the veranda of the Conservatoire du Littoral to prepare lunch with the very kind permission of the staff. While we prepared and ate lunch, people watched Shags, Yellow-legged Gulls, Common Terns and the occasional Red Kite over the lagoon, while Nightingales sang loudly in an adjacent garden and Bee-eaters called overhead. Before moving off, we all took

the opportunity to see the wide range of animals in the lagoon, including Sea Cucumbers, at least three species of Sea Anemone, Pipefish and other fish fry and many small crabs, all testament to the effectiveness of the conservation work done in the area.

We then headed south to the Etang de Palo where we drove down to the edge of the water beside a wonderful area of low-lying ground with thousands of *Serapias* orchids, including Scarce (*S. neglecta*), Small-flowered (*S. parviflora*) and Long-lipped (*S. vomeracea*) Tongue Orchids, themselves very variable but apparently mixed up with a bewildering range of hybrids, as well as Lax-flowered orchid (*Anacamptis laxiflora*) and *O. palustris*, Parsley Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe lachenalii*), Ragged Robin (*Silene flos-cuculi*) and swards of tiny annual plants such as Dwarf Rush and Yellow Centaury (*Cicendia filiformis*) in seasonally inundated hollows. In the lagoon we saw, Great Egret, Little Egret and Greater Flamingos, while flocks of Bee-eaters swept overhead. We left the lagoon and spent a couple of hours in and around the Roman ruins at Aleria, including sitting in a café on the ramparts watching Bee-eaters and Red Kites over the site. On the way back to the hotel we stopped to get excellent views of a large flock of Bee-eaters on the wires. We had managed to miss the rain all day, even though it had been showery on the coast and torrential in the mountains.

Day 6

Friday 11th May

Today dawned hot and sunny which was a good thing as we planned to tackle the walk up to the highest altitudes of the Restonica Valley. Andrew led the usual pre-breakfast walk and those who joined him heard Moltoni's and Sardinian Warblers but they were very hard to see. Then after breakfast, we stopped briefly in Corte to buy lunch then headed up the Restonica Valley. We drove right to the end of the road and split into two groups, one going on up to the Lac du Melo and the other who were less likely to be able to cope with the difficult walking, to walk down the valley. As we were preparing for the split, David Todd spotted a Lamergeier or Bearded Vulture high up among the crags; these birds are now very rare in Corsica and we were extremely lucky to see this one. Once prepared, those heading upwards set off along the rough track leading up the valley. The vegetation was characterised by open Corsican Pine over low Berberis aetnensis and Alnus alnobetula, among low-domed growth of Genista salzmannii var. lobelioides. We gradually walked upwards through thinning trees, finding occasional delights such as a bank of flowering Corsican Butterwort (Pinguicula corsica), small plants of Thymus herba-barona and frequent Tyrrhenian Wall Lizards scuttling out of our way. After reaching the end of the pine trees and negotiating a number of stream crossings, made more treacherous by the enormous quantities of snow-melt water they were carrying, and gingerly crossing the few remaining snow patches, we came across carpets of Corsican Crocus (Crocus corsicus) and Gagea granatelli in full flower. Looking up we saw a migrating Honey Buzzard rising to cross the mountains surrounded by mobbing Alpine Choughs. We then reached the main trail of the route up involving a steep climb of about 100 metres, including a stretch which required using chains to climb near-vertical rocks and two ladders bolted to rock faces. On the cliffs as we passed, we saw Alpine Lady's-mantle (Alchemilla alpina), Alpine Lady-fern (Athyrium alpestre), Mountain Male-fern (Dryopteris oreades) and Saxifraga pedemontana subsp. cervicornis but neither the Lady's-mantle nor the Saxifrage was flowering. Then, suddenly, we crested the moraine and saw the lake before us, half-covered with ice and surrounded by snow; between us and it there were a few groups of people eating, each surrounded by Alpine Choughs begging for food. Reaching the lake was a real achievement for all of us and the radiant look on Daphne's face said it all.

We had a good lunch, some of us giving generously just to have the pleasure of feeding Alpine Choughs by hand and admired the wonderful views in bright sunshine. Then, having cleared up and given any left-overs to the choughs (although they welcomed ham and cheese, they disdained bread) we worked out way down. If anything, the walk down was harder and more treacherous because of the difficulty of negotiating drops off boulders and bedrock, but we made it fairly quickly, admiring a female Corsican Red Crossbill busily feeding in Corsican Pines a few hundred metres from the café, then we settled down to have well-earned teas, coffees or cold drinks before returning to the car. Meanwhile the other group walked down through the woodland and stunning views of the gorge, had a picnic lunch about half-way down and then headed out to the other side of Corte where a roadside bank offered views of a wide range of Orchids, including Lax-flowered, Green-winged (*Anacamptis morio*), *Anacamptis laxiflora* × *A. morio*, Pink Butterfly (*Anacamptis papilionacea* varieties *expansa* and *papilionacea*), Dense-flowered (*Neotinea maculata*), Man (*Orchis anthropophora*), Provence (*O. provincialis*) and Lady (*Orchis purpurea*). However the heavens then opened and they returned to the hotel. After dinner, a few of us spent a while sorting out the identity of the frogs singing in the basin by the front door to the hotel, concluding that they were Italian Pool Frog and Tyrrhenian Tree Frog; in addition to its typical call, the latter was producing an odd rattle when confronting another frog.

Day 7

Saturday 12th May

Another beautiful day and again the pre-breakfast walk yielded only fleeting glimpses of Sardinian and Moltoni's Warblers, as well as the usual Mediterranean Flycatchers and Firecrests around the hotel. After breakfast we bought lunch in the village shop in Venaco, then drove to the bottom of the Verghelo Valley, parking near the bridge designed by Gustav Eiffel, and then walking slowly up the road, admiring the pink and white flowers of Cretan Cistus (*Cistus creticus* subsp. creticus) and Sage-leaved Cistus (*C. salvifolius*) respectively, as well as species such as Mediterranean Wild Asparagus (*Asparagus acutifolius*), Sword-leaved Helleborine (*Cephalanthera longifolia*), Giant Fennel, Violet Bird's-nest Orchid (*Limodorum abortivum*), Illyrian Sea Daffodil, Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid (*Serapias cordigera*), Tongue Orchid, Sticky Woundwort and Early Rock-rose. Further up the hill we saw lines of Italian Alder (*Alnus cordata*), Hemp Agrimony (*Eupatorium cannabinum* subsp. corsicum), Corsican St. John's-wort (*Hypericum corsicum*) and Royal Fern alongside a small stream channel, all suffering somewhat from having been cut at regular intervals, together with robust Marsh Orchid (*Dactylorhiza elata*) and more Tongue Orchid. We then drove up to the helipad at the top of the hill to look for eagles but only saw plants such as Provence Orchid, Dense-flowered Orchid, Yellow Bartsia (*Parentucellia latifolia*), Heath Pearlwort (*Sagina subulata* subsp. revellier) and Urtica atrovirens.

We had lunch at a roadside picnic spot overlooking a Genoese hill fort and opposite wonderful flowering stands of *Saxifraga corsica* and after lunch walked along the track toward the fort, seeing Woodlarks, Stonechats and a singing male Marmora's Warbler. We then drove up to the Col de Sorba to look for Corsican Nuthatch without success, the only highlight being large flocks of Corsican Finches around the Col. Then we headed down to the railway station near Vizzavon where we had refreshments and watched the train collect passengers. Finally, we returned to the hotel to prepare for departure the next morning.

Day 8

Sunday 13th May

We breakfasted early and were ready to leave at 7am, although Bill had been ill during the night was unable to travel and so he and Marilyn remained at the hotel. The rest of us headed off to the airport at Bastia, as the morning mist burnt off to reveal another bright, sunny day. We stopped briefly to see the model village on the

way and then after Chris and Bob who were staying on for a week had left to collect their hire car, headed in to check in for our flight.

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Species Lists

Plants

Scientific Name

LYCOPODIOPSIDA

Isoetes Isoetes histrix

Selaginellaceae Selaginella denticulata Selaginella kraussiana

EQUISETIOPSIDA

Equisetaceae Equisetum arvense Equisetum ramosissimum Equisetum telmateia

PTERIDOPSIDA

Aspleniaceae

Asplenium adiantum-nigrum Asplenium ceterach (Ceterach officinarum) Asplenium obovatum Asplenium onopteris Asplenium ruta-muraria Asplenium trichomanes

Athyriaceae Athyrium alpestre (A. distentifolium) Athyrium filix-femina

Blechnaceae Blechnum spicant

Cystopteridaceae Cystopteris diaphana Cystopteris fragilis

Dennstaeddtiaceae Pteridium aquilinum

Dryopteridaceae

Dryopteris affinis Dryopteris dilatata Dryopteris filix-mas Dryopteris oreades Polystichum setiferum

Osmundaceae Osmunda regalis

Common Name

CLUBMOSSES

Land Quillwort

Lesser Clubmoss Family Toothed Clubmoss Krauss's Clubmoss

HORSETAILS

Horsetail Family Field Horsetail Branched Horsetail Giant Horsetail

Spleenwort Family

Black Spleenwort Rustyback Lanceolate Spleenwort Irish Spleenwort Wall-rue Maidenhair Spleenwort

Lady-fern Family Alpine Lady-fern Lady-fern

Hard-fern Family Hard-fern

Bladder-fern Family Diaphanous Bladder-fern Brittle Bladder-fern

Bracken Family Bracken

Male-fern Family

Scaly Male-fern Broad Buckler-fern Male-fern Mountain Male-fern Soft Shield-fern

Royal Fern Family Royal Fern

Polypodiaceae Polypodium cambricum Polypodium vulgare

Pteridaceae Adiantum capillus-veneris Anogramma leptophylla Cheilanthes guanchica Cheilanthes maderensis

PINOPSIDA

Cupressaceae

Cupressus sempervirens[‡] Juniperus communis Juniperus oxycedrus subsp. macrocarpa Juniperus oxycedrus subsp. oxycedrus

Pinaceae

Abies alba Larix decidua[‡] Pinus halapensis[‡] Pinus nigra subsp. laricio^{*} Pinus pinaster Pinus pinea[‡]

GNETOPSIDA

Ephedraceae Ephedra distchya

MAGOLIOPSIDA

MAGNOLIIDAE

Acanthaceae Acanthus mollis

Aizoaceae Carpobrotus edulis[‡]

Amaranthaceae

Amaranthus deflexus Atriplex portulacoides Salsola kali Suaeda vera

Apiaceae

Apium nodiflorum Chaerophyllum temulentum Chamaemellum mixtum Conopodium majus Daucus carota

Common Name

Polypody Family Southern Polypody Common Polypody

Maidenhair Fern Family Maidenhair Fern Jersey Fern

Cypress Family

Italian Cyprus Juniper Large-fruited Prickly Juniper Prickly Juniper

Pine Family

European Silver Fir Larch Aleppo Pine Corsican Pine Maritime Pine Umbrella Pine

Joint-pine Family Sea Grape

Bear's-breech Family Bear's-breech

Dewplant Family Hottentot Fig

Pigweed Family

Perennial Pigweed Sea-purslane Saltwort Shrubby Sea-blite

Carrot Family Fool's Watercress Rough Chervil

Pignut Wild Carrot

Ferula communis Foeniculum vulgare subsp. vulgare Oenanthe crocata Oenanthe fistulosa Oenanthe lachenalii Pastinaca sativa Scandix pecten-veneris Sinapis arvensis Smyrnum olusastrum

Apocynaceae Nerium oleander

Aquifoliaceae Ilex aquifolium

Araliaceae Hedera helix Phoenix canariensis

Aristolochiaceae Aristolochia tyrrhena*

Berberidaceae Berberis aetnensis*

Betulaceae Alnus alnobetula Alnus cordata* Alnus glutinosa Betula pendula

Boraginaceae

Borago officinalis Cynoglossum creticum Echium italicum Echium plantagineum Myosotis discolor Myosotis pusillus Myosotis ramosissima Myosotis sicula Myosotis stricta

Brassicaceae

Alliaria petiolata Arabidopsis thaliana Arabis collina Arabis hirsuta Arabis verna Barbarea rupicola* Barbarea vulgaris Beta vulgaris subsp. maritima Bunias erucago

Common Name

Giant Fennel Fennel Hemlock Water-dropwort Tubular Water-dropwort Parsley Water-dropwort Wild Parsnip Shepherd's-needle Charlock Alexanders

Oleander Family Oleander

Holly Family Holly

Ivy Family Ivy

Birthwort Family

Barberry Family Etna Barberry

Birch Family

Italian Alder Alder Silver Birch

Borage Family

Borage Blue Hound's-tongue Italian Viper's-bugloss Purple Viper's-bugloss Changing Forget-me-not

Early Forget-me-not Jersey Forget-me-not

Cabbage Family

Garlic Mustard Thale cress Rosy Cress Hairy Rock-cress

Winter-cress Sea-beet Warty Cabbage

Capsella bursa-pastoris Capsella rubella Cardamine flexuosa Cardamine hirsuta Eruca sativa Isatis tinctoria Lepidium hirtum subsp. oxyotum* Lunaria annua‡ Matthiola incana Matthiola sinuata Mycelis muralis Nasturtium officinale Sanicula europaea Sisymbrium officinalis Teesdalia coronopifolia Teesdalia nudicaulis

Buxaceae Buxus sempervirens

Cactaceae Opuntia ficus-indica[‡] Opuntia microdasys[‡]

Campanulaceae Campanula rapunculus Solenopsis laurentia

Caprifoliaceae

Centranthus ruber[‡] Dipsacus fullonum Lonicera etrusca Lonicera implexa Sambucus ebulus Valerianella dentata Valerianella locusta

Caryophyllaceae

Arenaria balearica Arenaria serpyllifolia Cerastium diffusum Cerastium fontanum Cerastium glomeratum Cerastium soleirolii* Erophila verna Moehringia pentandra Moehringia pentandra Moenchia erecta Paronychia argentea Petrorhagia nanteulii Petrorhagia velutina Polycarpon tetraphyllum subsp. diphyllum Sagina pilifera*

Common Name

Shepherd's-purse Pink Shepherd's-purse Wavy Bitter-cress Hairy Bitter-cress

Woad

Honesty Hoary Stock Sea Stock Wall Lettuce Watercress Sanicle Hedge Mustard

Shepherd's-cress

Box Family Box

Cactus Family Prickly-pear

Bellflower Family Rampion Bellflower

Honeysuckle Family

Red Valerian Teasel Etruscan Honeysuckle

Dwarf Elder Narrow-fruited Cornsalad Common Cornsalad

Pink Family

Sandwort Sea Mouse-ear Common Mouse-ear Sticky Mouse-ear

Common Whitlow-grass

Three-nerved Sandwort Upright Chickweed Silvery Paronychia Childing Pink

Four-leaved Allseed

Sagina procumbens Sagina subulata subsp. revelieri* Sagina subulata subsp. subulata Sagina subulata var. gracilis Scleranthus annuus Scleranthus burnatii Silene (Lychnis) flos-cuculi Silene gallica Silene gallica Silene nutabilis Silene mutabilis Silene vulgaris Spergularia marina Spergularia rubra Stellaria media Velezia rigida

Chenopodiaceae

Chenopodium album

Cistaceae

Cistus creticus subsp. corsicus Cistus creticus subsp. eriocephalus Cistus laurifolius subsp. atlanticus Cistus monspeliensis Cistus salvifolius Helianthemum nummularium var. grandiflorum Tuberaria guttata Tuberaria praecox

Compositae

Achillea ligustica Achillea millefolium[‡] Anthemis arvensis Anthemis chia Arctium minus Aster tripolium Bellis annua Bellis perennis Bellis sylvestris Bellium bellidioides* Carduus pycnocephalus Carduus tenuiflorus Carlina corymbosa Carlina macrocephala subsp. macrocephala* Cichorium intybus Cirsium vulgare Cotula coronopifolia Crepis setosa Eryngium campestre Eupatorium cannabinum subsp. corsicum* Filago vulgaris Glebione segetum Gnaphalium luteoalbum

Common Name

Procumbent Pearlwort Heath Pearlwort Heath Pearlwort Heath Pearlwort Annual Knawel

Ragged Robin Small-flowered Catchfly White Campion

Bladder Campion Lesser Sea Spurrey Sand Spurrey Common Chickweed

Goosefoot Family Fat Hen

Rock-rose Family

Cretan Cistus Cretan Cistus Laurel-leaved Cistus Narrow-leaved Cistus Sage-leaved Cistus Large-flowered Rock-rose Spotted Rock-rose Early Rock-rose

Daisy Family

Southern Yarrow Yarrow Corn Chamomile

Lesser Burdock Sea Aster Annual Daisy Daisy Southern Daisy False Daisy Plymouth Thistle Slender Thistle

Large-headed Carline-thistle Chicory Spear Thistle Buttonweed Bristly Hawk's-beard Field Eryngo Hemp Agrimony Common Cudweed Corn Marigold Jersey Cudweed

Helichrysum frigidum* Helichrysum italicum subsp. italicum Hypochaeris achyrophorus Hypochaeris glabra Hypochaeris radicata Hypochaeris robertia Inula crithmoides Jasione montana Lapsana communis Logfia gallica Logfia minima Pulicaria odora Santolina corsica* Scolymus hispanicus Senecio vulgaris Silybum marianum Sonchus asper Sonchus oleraceus Taraxacum sp. Tripleurospermum maritimum Urospermum dalechampii

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia sepium Calystegia soldanella Convolvulus althaeoides Convolvulus cantabrica Cuscuta planiflora

Crassulaceae

Crassula tillaea Crassula vaillantii Sedum album var. micranthum Sedum ardegavense Sedum brevifolium* Sedum caespitosum Sedum cepaea Sedum rubens Umbilicus horizontalis Umbilicus rupestris

Cytinaceae

Cytinus hypocistis Cytinus ruber

Ericaceae

Erica arborea Erica scoparia Erica terminalis Arbutus unedo

Euphorbiaceae Euphorbia cupanii

Common Name

Curry-plant

Smooth Cat's-ear Common Cat's-ear

Golden Samphire Sheep's-bit Nipplewort Narrow-leaved cudweed Small Cudweed Mediterranean Fleabane Corsican Lavendar-cotton Spanish Oyster Plant Groundsel Milk Thistle Prickly Sow-thistle Smooth Sow-thistle Dandelion Sea Mayweed Urospermum

Bindweed Family

Hedge Bindweed Sea Bindweed Mallow-leaved Bindweed Southern Bindweed

Stonecrop Family

Mossy Stonecrop

White Stonecrop

Short-leaved Stonecrop

Pink Stonecrop Red Stonecrop

Wall Pennywort

Cytinus Family Cytinus (yellow) Cytinus (red)

Heather Family

Tree Heather Besom Heather Corsican Heath Strawberry Tree

Spurge Family

Euphorbia dendroides Euphorbia exigua Euphorbia helioscopa Euphorbia hiberna subsp. insularis* Euphorbia lathyris Euphorbia paralias Euphorbia peplus Euphorbia pithyusa subsp. cupanii* Euphorbia pithyusa subsp. pithyusa Mercurialis annua

Fagaceae

Castanea sativa[‡] Fagus sylvatica Quercus coccifera Quercus ilex Quercus petraea Quercus pubescens Quercus suber

Gentianaceae

Blackstonia perfoliata Centaurium erythraea Centaurium maritimum Cicendia filiformis

Geraniaceae

Erodium botrys Erodium cicutarium Erodium corsicum* Erodium malacoides Geranium columbinum Geranium dissectum Geranium lucidum Geranium molle Geranium purpureum Geranium pyrenaicum Geranium robertianum Geranium rotundifolium

Hypericaceae

Hypericum corsicum* Hypericum hircinum Hypericum perforatum

Lamiaceae

Clinopodium calamintha Lamium amplexicaule Lamium hybridum Lamium purpureum Lavendula stoechas Marrubium vulgare Menth spicata

Common Name

Tree Spurge Dwarf Spurge Sun Spurge Irish Spurge Caper Spurge Sea Spurge Petty Spurge

Annual Mercury

Beech Family

Sweet Chestnut Beech Kermes Oak Holme Oak Sessile Oak Downy Oak Cork Oak

Gentian Family

Yellow-wort Common Centaury

Yellow Centaury

Geranium Family

Mediterranean Stork's-bill Common Stork's-bill Corsican Stork's-bill Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill Long-stalked Crane's-bill Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Shining Crane's-bill Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Little-robin Hedgerow Crane's-bill Herb Robert Round-leaved Crane's-bill

St. John's-wort Family

Corsican St. John's-wort Stinking Tutsan Perforate St. John's-wort

Dead-nettle Family

Lesser Calamint Henbit Dead-nettle Cut-leaved Dead-nettle Red Dead-nettle French Lavender White Horehound Spearmint

Mentha × piperita Mentha aquatica Mentha pulegium Mentha requienii* Mentha suaveolens subsp. insularis* Mentha suaveolens subsp. suaveolens Micromeria filiformis subsp. minutifolia Origanum vulgare Rosmarinus officinalis Salvia verbenacea Stachys arvensis Stachys corsica* Stachys glutinosa* Teucrium scorodonia Thymus herba-barona*

Leguminaceae

Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. rubriflora Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. vulneraria Astragalus glycyphyllos Bituminaria bituminosa Calicotome infesta Cercis siliquastrum[‡] Cytisus striatus Cytisus villosus Dorycnium hirsutum Dorycnium pentaphyllum Genista corsica* Genista salzmannii var. lobelioides Genista salzmannii var. salzmannii Lathyrus angulatus Lathyrus annuus Lathyrus aphaca Lathyrus cicero Lathyrus clymenum Lathyrus hirsutus Lathyrus odoratus Lotus angustissimus Lotus conimbricensis Lotus corniculatus Lotus ornithopodioides Lotus pedunculatus Lotus tenuis Lupinus angustifolius Medicago arabica Medicago lupulina Medicago marina Medicago orbicularis Medicago polymorpha Medicago sativa subsp. sativa Melilotus albus‡ Ononis reclinata Ornithopus compressus

Common Name

Peppermint Water Mint Pennyroyal Corsican Mint Round-leaved Mint Round-leaved Mint

Wild Marjoram Rosemary Wild Clary Field Woundwort Corsican Woundwort Sticky Woundwort Wood Sage

Pea Family

Kidney Vetch Kidney Vetch Wild Liquorice Pitch Trefoil Thorny Brome Judas Tree Hairy-fruited Broom Thorny Broom Dorycnium Five-leaved Dorycnium Corsican Broom

Angular Pea Fodder Pea Yellow Vetchling Red Vetchling Crimson Pea Hairy Vetchling Sweet Pea Slender Bird's-foot-trefoil

Bird's-foot-trefoil Southern Bird's-foot-trefoil Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil Narrow-leaved Bird's-foot-trefoil Narrow-leaved Lupin Spotted Medick Black Medick Sea Medick Button Medick Toothed Medick Lucerne White Melilot Small Restharrow Compressed Bird's-foot

Ornithopus perpusillus Ornithopus pinnatus Pistacia lentiscus Robinia pseudacacia[‡] Scorpiurus muricatus Scorpiurus subvillosus Spartium junceum Trifolium arvense Trifolium campestre Trifolium dubium Trifolium fragiferum Trifolium hirtum Trifolium incarnatum[‡] Trifolium micranthum Trifolium pratense Trifolium repens Trifolium resupinatum Trifolium stellatum Trifolium striatum Trifolium subterranean Trifolium suffocatum Trifolium tomentosum Trigonella elegans Trigonella officinalis Vicia bythinica Vicia cracca Vicia ervilea Vicia hirsuta Vicia hybrida Vicia sativa var. sativa Vicia sativa var. segetalis

Lentibulariaceae

Pinguicula corsica

Linaceae Linum bienne Linum trigynum Linum usitatissimum

Lythraceae Lythrum portula

Malvaceae

Althaea hirsuta Lavatera arborea Malva neglecta Malva parviflora Malva sylvestris Tilia cordata Tilia platyphyllos

Common Name

Common Bird's-foot Orange Bird's-foot Lentisk Black Locust Scorpion-vetch

Spanish Broom Hare's-foot Clover Hop Trefoil Lesser Trefoil Strawberry Clover Rose Clover **Crimson Clover** Slender Trefoil Red C Lover White Clover **Reversed Clover** Starry Clover **Knotted Clover** Subterranean Clover Suffocated Clover Woolly Clover

Bithynian Vetch Tufted Vetch

Hairy Tare

Narrow-leaved Vetch Common Vetch

Bladderwort Family Corsican Butterwort

Flax Family Pale Flax

Flax

Loosestrife Family Water-purslane

Mallow Family

Rough Marsh-mallow Tree Mallow Dwarf Mallow Least Mallow Common Mallow Small-leaved Lime Large-leaved Lime

Molluginaceae Corrigiola litoralis Corrigiola telephium

Montiaceae Montia fontana subsp. chondrosperma

Moraceae

Ficus carica Morus alba[‡] Morus nigra[‡]

Myrtaceae Eucalyptus sp.[‡] Myrtus communis

Oleaceae Fraxinus ornus Olea europaea var. sylvestris Phillyrea angustifolia Phillyrea latifolia

Onagraceae Epilobium hirsutum

Orobanchaceae

Bartsia trixago Orobanche minor Orobanche purpurea Parentucellia latifolia Parentucellia viscosa Phelipanche c.f. ramosa Rhinanthus minor

Oxalidaceae

Oxalis articulata[‡] Oxalis corniculata Oxalis pes-caprae[‡]

Papaveraceae

Corydalis pumila Fumaria capreolata Fumaria densiflora Fumaria muralis Fumaria officinalis Glaucium flavum Papaver argemone Papaver dubium subsp. dubium Papaver rhoeas Papaver somniferum

Phytolaccaceae

Phytolacca acinos‡

Common Name

Strapwort Family Strapwort

Purslane Family Blinks

Fig Family Fig White Mulberry Black Mulberry

Myrtle Family Eucalpytus Common Myrtle

Olive Family

Manna Ash Wild Olive Narrow-leaved Mock-privet Mock-privet

Willowherb Family Great Willowherb

Broomrape Family

Bellardia Common Broomrape Yarrow Broomrape Southern Red Bartsia Yellow Bartsia

Yellow Rattle

Sorrel Family

Pink Oxalis Procumbent Yellow Sorrel Bermuda Buttercup

Poppy Family

White Ramping-fumitory Dense-flowered Fumitory Common Ramping-fumitory Common Fumitory Yellow Horned-poppy Prickly Poppy Long-headed Poppy Common Poppy Opium poppy

Pokeweed Family Indian Pokeweed

Plantaginaceae

Callitriche stagnalis Cymbalaria muralis Digitalis purpurea subsp. dispergerae* Linaria pelisseriana Linaria vulgaris Misopates orontium Plantago afra Plantago bellardii Plantago coronopus Plantago lagopus Plantago lanceolata Plantago major Plantago maritima Plantago sarda var sarda* Veronica arvensis Veronica hederifolia Veronica montana Veronica officinalis Veronica persica[‡] Veronica repens* Veronica serpyllifolia

Platanaceae Platanus × hispanica[‡]

Plumbaginaceae Armeria multiceps* Limonium corsicum*

Polygalaceae Polygala nicaeensis subsp. corsica* Polygala vulgaris

Polygonaceae

Polygonum aviculare Polygonum maritimum Polygonum scoparium* Rumex acetosa Rumex acetosella subsp. pyrenaica Rumex bucephalophorus Rumex conglomeratus Rumex crispus Rumex obtusifolius Rumex pulcher Rumex sanguineus

Portulacaceae Portulaca oleracea

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis subsp. arvensis Anagallis arvensis subsp. foemina

Common Name

Plantain Family

Common Water-Starwort Ivy-leaved Toadflax Foxglove Jersey Toadflax Common Toadflax Weasel's-snout Glandular Plantain Hairy Plantain Buck's-horn Plantain Hare's-foot Plantain Ribwort Plantain Greater Plantain Sea Plantain

Wall Speedwell Ivy-leaved Speedwell Wood Speedwell Heath Speedwell Common Field-speedwell Corsican Speedwell Thyme-leaved Speedwell

Plane Family London Plane

Thrift Family Multi-headed Thrift

Milkwort Family

Common Milkwort

Dock Family Knotgrass Sea Knotgrass

Sorrel Sheep's Sorrel Horned Dock Clustered Dock Curled Dock Broad-leaved Dock Fiddle Dock Wood Dock

Purslane Family Common Purslane

Primrose Family

Scarlet Pimpernel Blue Pimpernel

Cyclamen hederifolium Cyclamen repandum

Ranunculaceae

Anemone (Pulsatilla) alpina Anemone hortensis subsp. hortensis Aquilegia dumeticola* Clematis recta Clematis vitalba Ficaria verna Helleborus lividus* Ranunculus flammula Ranunculus lanuginosus Ranunculus macrophyllus Ranunculus muricatus Ranunculus parviflorus subsp. chius Ranunculus parviflorus subsp. parviflorus Ranunculus platanifolius Ranunculus repens Ranunculus sardous Ranunculus velutinus

Resedaceae Reseda luteola

Rosaceae

Amelanchier ovalis var. rhamnoides* Aphanes arvensis Aphanes cornucopioides Aphanes minutuliflora Crataegus monogyna Fragaria vesca Geum urbanum Malus sylvestris Potentilla micrantha Potentilla recta Potentilla reptans Potentilla rupestris var. pygmaea* Potentilla verna Prunus spinosa Rosa canina Rubus sp. Sanguisorba minor subsp. balearica Sanguisorba minor subsp. magnolii Sanguisorba verrucosa Sorbus aria Sorbus aucuparia subsp. praemorsa*

Rubiaceae

Cruciata laevipes Galium aparine Galium mollugo Galium odoratum

Common Name

Ivy-leaved Sowbread Spring Sowbread

Buttercup Family

Old Man's Beard Lesser Celandine

Lesser Spearwort Woolly Buttercup

Rough-fruited Buttercup Small-flowered Buttercup Small-flowered Buttercup Maple-leaved Buttercup Creeping Buttercup Hairy Buttercup

Mignonette Family Weld

Rose Family

Snowy Mespilus Parsley-piert

Hawthorn Wild Strawberry Herb Bennet Crab Apple

Sulphur Cinquefoil Creeping Cinquefoil Rock Cinquefoil

Blackthorn Dog Rose Bramble Salad Burnet Salad Burnet

Whitebeam Corsican Rowan

Bedstraw Family

Crosswort Cleavers Hedge Bedstraw Sweet Woodruff

Galium palustre subsp. elongatum Galium rotundifolium Galium verum Rubia peregrina subsp. peregrina Rubia peregrina subsp. requienii* Sherardia arvensis

Rutaceae Ruta chalapensis

Salicaceae Populus × canescens Populus alba Populus nigra Salix alba Salix cinerea subsp. cinerea Salix purpurea

Santalaceae Viscum album subsp. austriacum

Sapindaceae Acer monspessulanum Acer pseudoplatanus Aesculus hippocastanum

Saxifragaceae Saxifraga corsica* Saxifraga pedemontana subsp. cervicornis* Saxifraga rotundifolia subsp. rotundifolia

Scrophulariaceae

Buddleja davidii[‡] Scrophularia canina subsp. pinnatifida* Scrophularia peregrina Verbascum sinuatum Verbascum thapsus

Simaroubaceae Ailanthus altissima[‡]

Solanaceae Solanum nigrum

Tamaricaceae Tamarix gallica

Thymelaeaceae Daphne laureola

Urticaceae Parietaria judaica Parietaria lusitanica

Common Name

Marsh Bedstraw Round-leaved Bedstraw Lady's Bedstraw Madder Madder Field Madder

Rue Family Fringed Rue

Willow Family Grey Poplar White Poplar

White Willow Grey Willow Purple Willow

Mistletoe Family Mistletoe

Maple Family Montpellier Maple Sycamore Horse-chestnut

Saxifrage Family Corsican Saxifrage A Piedmont Saxifrage

Round-leaved Saxifrage

Figwort Family Buddleia French Figwort Nettle-leaved Figwort Wavy-leaved Mullein Great Mullein

Tree-of-heaven Family Tree-of-heaven

Nightshade Family Black Nightshade

Tamarisk Family Tamarisk

Mezereon Family Spurge Laurel

Nettle Family Pellitory-of-the-wall

Urtica atrovirens* Urtica dioica Urtica pilulifera

Verbenaceae

Verbena officinalis

Violaceae

Viola alba subsp. dehnadtii Viola arvensis Viola corsica* Viola kitaibeliana Viola odorata Viola reichenbachiana Viola riviniana

Vitaceae Vitis vinifera subsp. oleaster

LILIIDAE

Amaryllidaceae

Acis longifolia* Allium neapolitanum[‡] Allium oleraceum Allium pendulinum Allium roseum Allium triquetrum Allium ursinum Pancratium illyricum*

Araceae

Arisarum vulgare Arum italicum

Asparagaceae

Agave americana[‡] Asparagus acutifolius Asparagus officinalis Brimeura fastigiata (B. pouzolzii)* Leopoldia comosa Ruscus aculeatus

Dioscoreaceae Dioscorea communis

Cyperaceae

Bolboschoenus maritimus Carex caryophyllea Carex demissa Carex depauperata Carex distans Carex divisa

Common Name

Common Nettle Roman Nettle

Vervain Family Vervain

Violet Family

Mediterranean White Violet Field Pansy Corsican Violet Dwarf Pansy Sweet Violet Early Dog Violet Common Dog Violet

Grape-vine Family Wild Vine

Daffodil Family

Long-leaved Snowflake Naples Garlic Field Garlic Italian Garlic Rosy Garlic Three-cornered Leek Ramsons Illyrian Sea Daffodil

Lords-and-Ladies Family

Friar's Cowl Italian Lords-and-Ladies

Asparagus Family

Centuryplant Mediterranean Wild Asparagus White Asparagus Brimeura Tassel Hyacinth Butcher's-broom

Yam Family Black Bryony

Sedges Family

Sea Club-rush Spring Sedge Small Yellow Sedge Starved Wood-sedge Distant Sedge Divided Sedge

Carex divulsa Carex echinata Carex flacca Carex frigida Carex halleriana subsp. corsica* Carex lepidocarpa Carex leporina Carex microcarpa* Carex otrubae Carex pallescens Carex panicea Carex pendula Carex pilulifera Carex remota Cyperus esculentus Cyperus longus Eleocharis acicularis Holoschoenus vulgaris Isolepis cernua Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani Schoenus nigricans

Iridaceae

Crocus corsicus* Gladiolus italicus Iris pseudacorus

Juncaceae

Juncus acutus Juncus articulatus Juncus bufonius Juncus bulbosus Juncus capitatus Juncus effusus Juncus inflexus Juncus maritimus Juncus requienii* Juncus subulatus Juncus tenageia Luzula campestris Luzula forsteri Luzula luzulina Luzula multiflora var. multiflora Luzula pedemontana Luzula spicata subsp. mutabilis Luzula sylvatica subsp. sieberi

Lileaceae

Gagea granatelli Gagea soleirolii*

Nartheciaceae

Narthecium reverchonii

Common Name

Grey Sedge Star Sedge Glaucous Sedge

Long-stalked Yellow-sedge Oval Sedge

False Fox-sedge Pale Sedge Carnation Sedge Pendulous Sedge Pill Sedge Remote Sedge Yellow Nutsedge Galingale Needle Spike-rush Round-headed Club-rush Slender Club-rush Sea Club-rush Black Bog-rush

Iris Family

Corsican Crocus Field Gladiolus Yellow Flag

Rush Family

Sharp Rush Jointed Rush Toad Rush Bulbous Rush Dwarf Rush Soft Rush Hard Rush Sea Rush

Somerset Rush

Field Wood-rush Southern Wood-rush

Heath Wood-rush Piedment Wood-rush Spiked Wood-rush Great Wood-rush

Lily Family

Bog-asphodel Family

Orchidaceae

Anacamptis laxiflora Anacamptis laxiflora × A. morio Anacamptis morio Anacamptis papilionacea var. expansa Anacamptis papilionacea var. papilionacea Cephalanthera longifolia Dactylorhiza elata Dactylorhiza saccifera Dactylorhiza viridis Limodorum abortivum Neotinea maculata Neottia (Listera) ovata Ophrys apifera **Ophrys sphegodes** Orchis anthropophora Orchis palustris Orchis provincialis Orchis purpurea Serapias cordigera Serapias lingua Serapias neglecta Serapias parviflora Serapias vomeracea

Poaceae

Aegilops geniculata Agrostis stolonifera Aira caryophyllea Alopecurus myosuroides Alopecurus pratensis Ammophila arenaria Anisantha diandra Anisantha madritensis Anisantha rubens Anisantha sterilis Anthoxanthum odoratum Arundo donax Avena sterilis Brachypodium sylvaticum Briza maxima Briza media Briza minor Bromus hordeaceus Catapodium marinum Catapodium rigidum Cynodon dactylon Cynosurus echinatus Holcus lanatus Hordeum marinum Hordeum murinum Hordeum secalinum Lagurus ovatus

Common Name

Orchid Family Lax-flowered or Jersey Orchid

Green-winged Orchid Pink Butterfly Orchid Pink Butterfly Orchid Sword-leaved Helleborine Robust Marsh Orchid Wedge-lipped Orchid Frog Orchid Violet Bird's-nest Orchid Dense-flowered Orchid Twayblade Bee Orchid Early Spider Orchid Man Orchid

Provence Orchid Lady Orchid Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid Tongue Orchid Scarce Tongue Orchid Small-flowered Tongue Orchid Long-lipped Tongue Orchid

Grass Family

Ovate Goat-grass Creeping Bent Silver Hair-grass Black-grass Meadow Foxtail Marram Great Brome **Compact Brome** A brome **Barren Brome** Sweet Vernal-grass Giant Reed Barren Oat Wood False-brome Great Quaking-grass Quaking-grass Lesser Quaking-grass Soft Brome Sea Fern-grass Fern-grass Bermuda-grass Rough Dog's-tail Yorkshire-fog Sea Barley Wall Barley Meadow Barley Hare's-tail Grass

Lamarckia aurea Lolium multiflorum Lolium perenne Melica minuta Melica uniflora Parapholis incurva Phalaris aquatica Phragmites australis Poa annua Poa infirma Polypogon monspeliensis Trisetum flavescens Vulpia myuros

Posidoniaceae

Posidonia sp.

Potamogetonaceae

Potamogeton schweinfurthii

Smilacaceae

Smilax aspera

Typhaceae

Typha angustifolia Typha domingensis Typha latifolia

Xanthorrhoeaceae Asphodelus ramosus

Common Name

Golden Dog's-tail Italian Rye-grass Perennial Rye-grass

Wood Melick Curved Hard-grass Bulbous Canary-grass Common Reed Annual Meadow-grass Early Meadow-grass Annual Beard-grass Yellow Oat-grass Rat's-tail Fescue

Posidonia Family Sea-grass

Pondweed Family

Smilax Family Common Smilax

Bulrush Family Lesser Bulrush

Bulrush

Asphodel Family Branched Asphodel

Birds (<-recorded but not counted; • = endemic)

	Common name			Мау					
		Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna					2		
9	Common Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	✓						
13	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus					3		
15	Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus					11		
178	Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis					6		
18	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea					2		
19	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea					1		
20	Great Egret	Ardea alba					1		
21	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta		1			4		
22	European Shag	Phalacrocorax aristotelis	✓	✓			✓		
23	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo					✓		
24	Western Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	1	3					
25	Bearded Vulture	Gypaetus barbatus						1	
26	European Honey Buzzard	Pernis apivorus	1					1	
27	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos			1				
31	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	1	1			2		
32	Montagu's Harrier	Circus pygargus	1	1					
33	Red Kite	Milvus milvus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

	Common name		Мау							
		Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
35	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo	✓	✓		✓	3		1	
39	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus					1			
40	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra					✓			
51	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus		1						
66	Yellow-legged Gull	Larus michahellis	✓	✓			✓			
69	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo					✓			
73	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
74	European Turtle Dove	Streptopelia turtur	✓				1			
75	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
77	Eurasian Scops Owl	Otus scops	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	
80	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba	✓	✓	✓				✓	
81	Common Swift	Apus apus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
82	Pallid Swift	Apus pallidus			✓					
84	European Bee-Eater	Merops apiaster	✓	✓			✓			
85	Eurasian Hoopoe	Upupa epops	1			1	1			
86	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla			1	1		1		
87	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major	✓	✓	 ✓	 ✓	✓	•	 ✓ 	
88	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• •	•	•	1		•	
	Red-footed Falcon		✓ ✓	•			1			
89		Falco vespertinus	✓ ✓							
92	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	V	~						
93	Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio		2			0			
95	Eurasian Golden Oriole	Oriolus oriolus					2			
96	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Western Jackdaw	Coloeus monedula					4			
97	Alpine Chough	Pyrrhocorax graculus						 ✓ 		
99	Hooded Crow	Corvus cornix	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
100	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	✓				2			
101	Northern Raven	Corvus corax	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
102	Coal Tit	Periparus ater	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
103	Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
104	Great Tit	Parus major	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
105	Woodlark	Lullula arborea				✓		✓	✓	
107	Greater Short-toed Lark	Calandrella brachydactyla		✓						
109	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark		
110	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris	✓		✓	✓		✓		
111	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
113	Cetti's Warbler	Cettia cetti		✓			1			
114	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus		✓			✓	✓	✓	
126	Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis		1			1			
127	Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
132	Marmora's Warbler	Sylvia sarda							1	
133	Moltoni's Warbler	Sylvia subalpina				1	4	1	1	
134	Sardinian Warbler	Sylvia melanocephala		✓		· ✓	· ✓	√	· ✓	
135	Common Firecrest	Regulus ignicapilla	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
137	Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		✓	✓					
138	Corsican Nuthatch •	Sitta whiteheadi				✓				
139	Eurasian Treecreeper	Certhia familiaris		1						
140	Spotless Starling	Sturnus unicolor		 ✓	✓	✓	✓	 ✓ 	✓	
	Common Blackbird		▼ ▼	▼ ✓	▼ ✓	▼ ✓	▼ ✓	✓ ✓	▼ ✓	
141		Turdus merula	v	v	v	v	v	v	×	

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			6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
143	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata				1	4	2	✓		
144	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓		✓			
145	Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos	\checkmark	✓		1	✓				
150	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius				1					
151	Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra					1				
152	European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola		1					1		
153	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe		2							
154	White-throated Dipper	Cinclus cinclus			1	1		2			
156	Italian Sparrow	Passer italiae	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
157	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus					1				
160	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea			1	2		✓	✓		
162	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris		✓							
165	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta						✓			
166	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
167	Hawfinch	Coccothraustes coccothraustes									
168	European Greenfinch	Chloris chloris	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
169	Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓			✓				
170	Red Crossbill •	Loxia curvirostra corsicana		✓	✓			✓			
171	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
172	Corsican Finch •	Carduelis corsicana		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
173	European Serin	Serinus serinus	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
174	Corn Bunting	Emberiza calandra	\checkmark	✓			✓				
175	Ortolan Bunting	Emberiza hortulana									
176	Cirl Bunting	Emberiza cirlus		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		

Mammals (**‡** = introduced; D = Dead)

Red Fox ‡, *Vulpes vulpes* Wild Boar ‡ (D), *Sus scrofa* Hare, *Lepus* sp. *(corsicanus / europaeus)*

Reptiles (• = endemic)

Hermann's Tortoise (D), *Testudo hermanni* Bedriaga's Rock Lizard •, *Archaeolacerta bedriagae* Italian Wall Lizard, *Podarcis sicula*

Amphibians

Tyrrhenian Tree Frog •, Hyla sarda

Butterflies

Swallowtail, *Papilio machaon* Brimstone, *Gonepteryx rhamni* Large White, *Pieris brassicae* Green Hairstreak, *Callophrys rubi* Brown Argus, *Aricia agestis* Green-underside Blue, *Glaucopsyche alexis* Southern White Admiral, *Limenitis reducta* Large Tortoiseshell, *Nymphalis polychloros* Corsican Wall Brown •, *Lasiommata paramegaera* Mouflon ‡, Ovis orientalis Hedgehog (D), Erinaceus europaeus Lesser Horseshoe Bat, Rhinolophus hipposideros

European Pond Terrapin, *Emis orbicularis* Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard •, *Podarcis tiliguerta*

Italian Pool Frog ‡, Rana bergeri

Scarce Swallowtail, *Iphiclides podalirius* Clouded Yellow, *Colias crocea* Small White, *Xylocopa violacea* Small Copper, *Lycaena phlaeus* Holly Blue, *Celastrina argiolus* Common Blue, *Polyommatus icarus* Painted Lady, *Vanessa cardui* Southern Speckled Wood, *Pararge aegeria aegeria* Meadow Brown, *Maniola jurtina*

Moths

Giant Peacock Moth, *Saturnia pyri* Pine Processionary Moth, *Thaumetopoea pityocampa*

Dragonflies

Island Bluetail •, Ischnura genei

Other Insects,

Fire Bug, *Pyrrhocoris apterus* a Parasitic Wasp, a Longhorn Beetle, Red-tailed Bumblebee, *Bombus lapidarius* a Seed Bug, Hummingbird Hawkmoth, *Macroglossum stellatarum* Silver Y, *Autographa gamma*

Scarlet Darter, Crocothemis erythraea

Carpenter Bee, *Xylocopa violacea* an Oil Beetle, a Carpenter Bee, Buff-tailed Bumblebee, *Bombus terrestris*

