Wild Flowers of Italy's Gargano **Peninsula**

Naturetrek Tour Report

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The Gargano Early Spider Oprhys Ophrys spegodes ssp garganica





The Milky Orchid Orchis lactea



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Summary

We enjoyed a week of mostly sunny weather, with only one or two spells of heavy rain and thick fog on the hills, but we also had plenty of sunshine to encourage butterflies out on to the wing and enable us to get some good photographs. The orchids, as always were the stars of the week's botanising, with almost 40 species found, but we had plenty of opportunities to study some of the other rich flora of the region, with some spectacular displays of Wild Tulips, Poet's Narcissi, Anemones, Cyclamens, Giant Fennel and Crown Daisies, plus many more Mediterranean species including some endemics, and a number of British rarities. Butterflies on the wing during week included some showy Scarce Swallowtails and Cleopatras, and there were many good sightings of Italian Wall Lizards, the males being especially conspicuous with their green head markings. For the bird-watchers there were good opportunities to see some of the typical warblers of the area with Sub-alpine and Sardinian Warblers putting on a good show at times. In most wooded areas we could hear Nightingales singing, and on our final day on the coast we had excellent close views of a number of waders, egrets and gulls, including some nicely-coloured Slender-billed Gulls.

Day 1 Monday 9th April

Weather: A cloudy sky, with showers. Very cold on arrival

We arrived in Bari at about 21 00 hrs after our evening flight from Gatwick and soon collected our luggage and assembled outside the arrivals hall. Andrew completed the formalities for collecting the mini-bus which was parked about 250m away so we were able to load up and head off on the two hour journey to Monte Sant'Angelo. Road works meant that we had to follow the coastal route to the hotel, rather than the Autoroute, but this alternative route took us along mostly deserted minor roads. On arrival at the Palace Hotel, despite the late hour, the night staff were waiting for us with a lovely meal and some drinks, and were very helpful in sorting out our rooms.

Day 2

Tuesday 10th April

Weather: A sunny day, but with a cool breeze. Snow on the distant hills. 17°C

We all met again at breakfast and then Andrew did some shopping for lunch ingredients at the local supermarket, so we were ready for the day at about 09 15. Our first taste of the Gargano flora was at the side of the road, only a few minutes drive from the hotel, along the narrow road leading to the nearby Pulsano Monastery.

Even before getting out of the mini-bus, a few small orchids could be seen, including the tiny form of the Yellow Bee Orchid, *Ophrys sicula*, and the endemic *Ophrys garganica*. Picking our way carefully over the short turf, many more orchid species were found, growing amongst the bright yellow flowers of Alyssum *Alyssum saxatile* and Horseshoe Vetch *Hippocrepis comosa*. The most striking orchid on show was the Pink Butterfly Orchid *Orchis papilionaceae*, and scattered around were many spikes of the Green-veined Orchid *Orchis morio*. We were also able to find a few of the hybrids between these two species.

Further up the slope the prickly cushions of the Spiny Spurge Euphorbia acanthocamnos caught our attention and they turned out to be delicately scented. More of the variants of the Early Spider Orchid Ophrys sphegodes were found on the higher slopes and there were plenty of opportunities for photography. Moving further along the road, we parked beside a little copse of Hornbeams and checked the slopes leading up to a radio mast. Here we added some fine Milky Orchids Orchis lactea to the list as well as more Ophrys species and a few Man Orchids Orchis anthropophorum. This was a good spot for our first picnic lunch and we were able to sample many of the local cheeses, proscuitto, salami, the delicious tomatoes, fennel and peppers and some local wines from the Puglia region.

We then drove further along the road to the Monastery, admiring the fields of Asphodel and the blossom on the Almond-leaved Pear *Pyrus amygdaliformis* trees along the way. The walls of the monastery supported some interesting species, including Henbane, *Hyoscyamus niger* and we found the endemic Pale Goldendrops *Onosma lucana* in its usual site on the edge of the gorge. The three species of Asphodel all grow in the same spot here, and we also found Ground Pine *Ajuga chamaepitys* amongst the rocks. A walk down the wide track behind the monastery led us to a fine colony of Bumble-bee Orchids *Ophrys bombyliflora* and some newly-opened Late Spider Orchids *Ophrys fuciflora*. A Blue Rock-thrush sang from a distant rock and a Sub-alpine Warbler scolded from cover very close to the path. After a very busy day we returned to the hotel and discussed our finds and the plans for the next day before a very pleasant evening meal.

Day 3

Wednesday 11th April

Weather: Cloudy, but with some sunny spells and light showers. 17°C

After Andrew had collected the provisions for lunch we loaded up and took the road out of town towards San Giovanni Rotondo. Our first stop of the day was in the valley below where we looked in the cultivated fields alongside the road. This area was an unlikely habitat for the Wild Tulip Tulipa sylvestris and thousands of bright yellow blooms were spotted growing amongst the cereal crops. A few spikes of Wild Gladiolus Gladiolus italicus were also noted and on the stony margins Cotswold Pennycress Thlaspi perfoliata was flowering, and there were the remains of Winter Aconite Eranthis hyemalis as well. The next roadside stop, a few miles further on, enabled us to find more of the open habitat Ophrys species, including more of the very confusing Early Spider Orchid Ophrys sphegodes group. Lovely displays of Irises Iris pseudopumila caught our eye as we pulled up, and a short walk towards a little copse revealed some of the endemic Violas Viola beterophylla ssp graeca. Driving on a short distance towards the forest enabled us to find a stand of the beautiful wild Peony Paeonia mascula in perfect condition on a lightly wooded bank. The winding, single-track road into the forest gradually turned into a stony track with steep banks lined with ferns, but we did find a place to stop where we had a close look at the narcissi – Narcissis poeticus and N. tazetta.

We stopped for a picnic in a lovely clearing in the woods where picnic tables and litter bins had been provided, and the only sounds were cow bells and bird song. After our picnic lunch we set off to walk through the forest towards the Piscina Pantolfe. Firecrests were calling from the ivy-covered trees, and there were distant calls of Cuckoo and Green Woodpecker. We wandered through the forest and came to a stony hillside where *Iris lutescens* was flowering in profusion and other sun-loving species were found amongst the rocks, including two crocus species and plenty of the Yellow Gagea *Gagea (lutea)*. A single dried-up seed head of the Bird's-nest Orchid was spotted alongside the track, but more eye-catching was the abundance of the Coral-root Bittercress *Cardamine bulbifera* and the curious Bird-in-a-bush *Corydalis solida*.

On returning to the vehicle we drove slowly out of the forest, stopping to photograph the Narcissi at one spot where they were particularly showy, and then stopping for another look at the Wild Tulips in lovely afternoon sunlight. The local cattle were being rounded up as we did this and we had a chance to admire the skill of the farmers and their dogs as they made rather noisy progress past the mini-bus. We discussed our finds before the evening meal and then made plans for the next day.

Day 4

Thursday 12th April

Weather: Sunny all day, but cooler in the evening. 20°C

Our plan for Thursday was to visit the well-known botanical site of Monte Sacro, and as it was a lovely sunny day we made an early start to make best use of the light, and stop at the shops for lunch provisions on the way. The route to Mattinata involves a long drive down a road made up of continuous hairpin bends, but with lovely views of the Gargano landscape and the coast. We were able to pull off the road at one point to admire the Mallow-leaved Bindweed *Convolvulus althaeoides* which was flowering profusely on a sunny verge. We also spotted some men working on the olive trees on the terraced hillside below us and photographed the horse ploughing the ground beneath the trees.

Mattinata is by-passed with tunnels, underpasses and roundabouts, before another very steep road with more hairpin bends ends at the starting point for a walk up Monte Sacro – a very well-known stony hill with a rich and fascinating flora. A well-trodden path leads to the summit of the hill, but there is so much to see on the way that we only made it as far as the start of the pine forest. A new species for the list was the Four-spotted Orchid *Orchis quadripunctata*, and in addition there were a few very photogenic Spectacled Orchids *Ophrys biscutella*. A few more Man Orchids *Orchis anthropohora* were seen amongst the rocks. Just before reaching the woodland on the steep slope a large patch of Sparse-flowered Orchids *Orchis pauciflora* and Four-spotted Orchids *Orchis quadripunctata* were found.

We had our picnic back at the road and discussed orchids with two Dutch photographers who, it turned out, were following a Naturetrek itinerary from a previous trip almost word for word - we were to see them several more times after this! After driving back around Mattinata we stopped at the start of the track to Monte Saraceno, an impressive limestone outcrop and historical site overlooking the sea. Our walk along the track produced three species of Cistus (*C. salvifolius, creticus* and *monspeliensis*) growing in close proximity which made for easy identification, although the Pink Cistus was not in flower here. More orchids, including *Ophrys melena* and *Ophrys fusca* were found along the track, and there were some good butterfly sightings, including the Scarce Swallowtail and Baton Blue.

The dozens of chambered tombs, dating from about 1000BC, and carved out of the solid limestone, proved to be very interesting, and some of them supported colonies of Maidenhair Fern *Adiantum capillus-veneris*.

We returned to the hotel in plenty of time to enjoy the views of the Gulf of Manfredonia below the town, do some more sight-seeing in the maze of streets, and enjoy some drinks, before our evening get-together.

Day 5 Friday 13th April

Weather: Foggy and wet for most of day, heavy rain later. 9°C

Impenetrable fog awaited us at breakfast time so we decided to delay our departure from the hotel, in the hope that it might lift. This gave us the opportunity to have a further look around the town and visit some more of the interesting historical sites. Andrew's shopping trip took a little longer due to the dense fog in the town, but we decided to head for the forests at a lower altitude and took the road out of town below the castle.

We eventually descended below the cloud line and arrived in the Bosco Quarto where we stopped at a picnic site. A Nightingale sang to us from the bramble patch beside the minibus, and we wandered along a quiet forest track admiring the colourful displays of *Anemone appenina*, *Narcissus poeticus* and *Euphorbia amygdaloides*. A few Roman Orchids *Dactylorrhiza romana* were found here, and Brittle Bladder-fern *Cystopteris fragilis* was spotted on a bank. After our rather damp picnic, we drove further on through the forest, stopping to admire the goats and cattle being herded along the roadsides and also finding some splendid displays of Roman Orchids in the fields.

Our last stop of the day was near an isolated and decidedly closed restaurant where we wandered around some gardens and un-inhabited houses looking for more orchids in the clearings. We found plenty of Roman Orchids here, plus one or two Elder-flowered Orchids *Dactylorrhiza sambucina* and plenty of leaves and tight buds of the Common Spotted Orchid *Dactylorrhiza fuchsii*. Here it was apparent that any form of management had ceased a few years previously and the scrub was advancing rapidly to the obvious disadvantage of the ground flora. One of the trees spreading freely in this area was the Wild Service Tree *Sorbus torminalis*. By this stage we were all feeling rather damp so we returned to the hotel in time for cups of tea and a change of clothes.

Day 6 Saturday 14th April

Weather: A rather cloudy day with some drizzle, turning to heavy rain after dark. 12°C

We packed up and left the Palace Hotel this morning after a little more sight-seeing in the town and drove into the Foresta Umbra, the "shady forest" which is composed largely of dense groves of beech and hornbeam. We stopped on the journey at a little track which led into a plantation of pines where there were many of the now familiar orchids in flower, including some very fine Italian Man Orchids *Orchis italica* and still more of the various 'Bee' orchids, including the endemic *Ophrys promontorii*. We stopped at a roadside picnic spot which gave the opportunity for a walk through the forest where there were many luxuriant ferns, and the rare British lichen, Tree Lungwort *Lobaria pulmonaria* on the trunks of trees along the path. Various garlic-scented species were encountered here, including the British native, Ramsons *Allium ursinum*. At a little woodland lake a terrapin and large numbers of tadpoles were seen, although birds were rather scarce.

After lunch we continued through the forest, spotting some Fallow Deer in an enclosure, and then at a convenient lay-by we stopped to admire a lovely display of the Spring Cyclamen *Cyclamen repandum* growing on steep slopes, where there were a few British native species as well, including Fiddle Dock *Rumex pulcher* and Stinking Iris *Iris foetidissima*.

Having left the forest, we arrived at the drier coastal plains, driving through Olive and Citrus groves before we stopped at the aptly-named "Fly-tip Stop" where we found many more *Ophrys* and *Serapias* species, and were joined once again by the Dutch botanists. We finally followed the increasingly winding road to reach the scenic fishing harbour of Peschici where we checked in to the Hotel Elisa, which is very close to the beach. After the usual formalities most of the group explored the town and harbour, enjoying the wonderful views, despite the rather stormy weather.

Our evening meal was a splendid selection of the local seafood, freshly prepared by the proprietor, and we all enjoyed the chance to sit in comfort by a crackling log fire to discuss the day's finds.

Day 7 Sunday 15th April

Weather: Sunny for most of the day, with some high cloud and light rain later. 15°C

As it was Sunday there was no chance to go shopping so we made an earlier start and drove west out of Peschici, along more steep and twisting roads, stopping at one point to look down over the cliffs at the Trabucco – the complicated arrangement of nets and poles used to catch fish from the rocks. We eventually reached a highway, which enabled us to get speedily to the west of the peninsula. Here we headed inland to explore the Bosco de Spinapulci - "Forest of the Spiny Flea", a high limestone plateau with forests and meadows, but few settlements.

Before climbing up on the plateau we stopped for a while on a farm lane where the elegant purple Mullein Verbascum phoenicium, was flowering, and close by we found Honeywort Cerinthe major and wild Asparagus, the plant which we had noted on sale on the roadsides on our journey. A Pyramidal Orchid Anacamptis pyramidalis was just starting to open up, and yet more of the Ophrys sphegodes group were found along the lane. Sub-alpine Warblers were very vocal in the scrub alongside the road and a few Swifts were noted overhead. Further on we stopped in a disused quarry where more of the Spring Cyclamen was in flower, and the two new orchid species noted were the Small-patterned Ophrys Ophrys parvimaculata and the Provence Orchid Orchis provincialis. Various prickly shrubs hampered us here, especially the aptly named Christ's Thorn Palliurus spina-christi.

We then drove up onto the limestone plateau on a very rough track where a lovely picnic spot overlooking the wooded valleys on either side was a good vantage point for exploring this area. More orchids, and the curious Birthwort *Aristolochia rotunda* were found in the woods, and more Cyclamens here were flowering prolifically and scenting the air. A perfect Sawfly Orchid *Ophrys tenthredinifera* provided a good photo opportunity at the picnic site.

After lunch, during which a Sub-alpine Warbler displayed to us, and another walk through the woods, we returned to the main highway and made our way back to Peschici. Our final stop of the day was in an olive grove on the steep hill where a magnificent stand of Lady Orchids *Orchis purpurea* proved to be very photogenic. Another lovely seafood supper followed and the log fire was just as welcoming.

Day 8

Monday 16th April

Weather: Mostly grey and cloudy, with a strong breeze on the coast. 16°C

This morning we had to pack up and leave, as this was our final day in Gargano, but as our flight was late in the evening there was no need to rush. A brief walk along the shore produced sightings of Common Sandpiper and Yellow-legged Gulls, with a Sardinian Warbler spotted near the hotel. Our route took us east towards Vieste and we drove through extensive olive groves and a patchwork of small fields. A Hoopoe flew across the road in front of us at one point and we also spotted Buzzards and Kestrels close by.

We continued following signs to Mattinata and took a road over the top of the limestone hills, stopping at one point to admire the extensive stands of the fragrant shrub *Daphne sericea* which grew at the higher altitudes. Eventually we came to a familiar stretch of road at Mattinata, passing the turning to Monte Sacro, before finally arriving, via tunnels, by-passes and roundabouts at the low-lying coastal strip with reed beds and salt pans, and extensive market gardens. A rather confusing road diversion around some road works led us along roadsides colourful with Giant Fennel and Crown Daisies and a number of Lesser Kestrels were seen on the wires. We stopped close to the sea for our picnic at some abandoned salt pans where there was some excellent bird-watching. Greater Flamingoes, Great and Little Egrets, Slender-billed Gulls and numerous waders, including Ruff, Avocet, Black-winged Stilts, Kentish Plovers and Marsh Sandpipers were easily seen, and passerines included Crested Lark, Black-headed Wagtail and Fan-tailed Warbler (Zitting Cisticola).

A coffee stop in Zaponetta proved to be very entertaining and then we pulled in at another salt-pan area where we were treated to excellent views of more wetland birds without having to leave the mini-bus. We finally had to leave for the airport and arrived at Bari in plenty of time for a meal and a final check of the bags before Andrew said farewell to the group and prepared to meet the second group and start the trip again.

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Species List

Plants

Scientific name Common name Habitat/location/most frequent site

FERNS AND ALLIES

PTERIDOPHYTES

Mediterranean Clubmoss Selaginella denticulata Damp rocks, Monte Sacro, Adiantum capillus-veneris Maidenhair Fern Ancient tombs, Monte Saraceno Asplenium adiantum-nigrum Black Spleenwort Shaded rocks and damp walls, common Asplenium trichomanes Maidenhair Spleenwort Rocks and walls, Bosco Quarto Ceterach officinarum Rustyback Fern Rocks and walls, common Phyllitis scolopendrium Hart's-tongue Fern Foresta Umbra Pteridium aquilinum Bracken Roadsides, hedgerows, Foresta Umbra Dryopteris dilatata Broad-buckler Fern Foresta Umbra Soft Shield Fern Foresta Umbra, common on walls Polystichum setiferum Polypodium vulgare Polypody Scarce on shady rocks, Bosco Quarto Brittle Bladder Fern Cystopteris fragilis Scarce, shady banks, Bosco Quarto

PINOPSIDA GYMNOSPERMS

Cupressus sempervirens Juniperus oxycedrus Pinus halapensis Pinus pinea Taxus baccata

CONIFERS

Italian Cypress
Prickly Juniper
Rocky hillsides, scattered throughout
Aleppo Pine
Cliffs, rocky slopes, Monte Saraceno
Stone Pine
Lowland areas nr Mattinata, etc
Yew
Foresta Umbra, scattered

ANGIOSPERMS

Acanthaceae

Acanthus mollis

Aceraceae Acer platanoides Acer pseudoplatanus Acer obtusatum Acer opalus

Aizoaceae

Carpobrotus acinaciformis

Anacardiaceae

Pistachia lentiscus Pistacia terebrinthus

Apiaceae (Umbelliferae)

Conium maculatum
Crithmum maritimum
Daucus carota
Eryngium campestre
Ferula communis
Laserpitium latifolium
Orlaya grandiflora

FLOWERING PLANTS

Bear's-breech Family

Bear's-breech Monte Sant'Angelo

Maple Family

Norway Maple Bosco Quarto Sycamore Forests and roadsides,

Bosnian Maple Monte Sacro, stony hillside, scarce Italian Maple Bosco Quarto, scattered sites

Dew-plant Family

Red Hottentot Fig Walls nr Monte Sant'Angelo, Pulsano

Sumach Family

Mastic Tree Stony hillsides, common

Turpentine Tree Stony hillsides and scrub, common

Carrot Family

Hemlock Roadsides

Rock Samphire

Wild Carrot

Field Eryngo

Giant Fennel

Broad-leaved Sermountain

Orlaya

Peschici Harbour and rocks

Roadsides, rocky slopes

Stony hillsides, leaves only

Roadsides, common nr coast

Bosco Quarto, leaves only

Roadsides, stony areas, common

Sanicula europaea Scandix pecten-veneris Smyrnium rotundifolium Thapsia garganica Tordylium apulum Torilis arvensis

Apocynaceae Nerium oleander Vinca major

Aralaceae Hedera helix

Aquifoliaceae Ilex aquifolium

Aristolochiaceae Aristolochia rotunda

Asclepiadaceae Vincetoxicum hirundinaria

Asteraceae (Compositae) Andryala integrifolia Artemisia absinthium Bellis perennis Bellis sylvestris Calendula arvensis Carduus chrysacanthus Centaurea cyanus

Crepis rubra Crupina crupinastrum Dittrichia viscosa Doronicum columnae Doronicum plantagineum

Cirsium eriophorum

Evax pygmaea Galactites tomentosa Glebionis coronarium Chrysanthemum segetum Helichrysum stoechas Hyoseris radiata Inula verbascifolia Pallenis spinosa Scorzonera villosa Silybum marianum Sonchus asper Tragopogon hybridum Tragopogon sinuata

Urospermum dalechampii Xanthium strumarium

Betulaceae Corylus avellana Sanicle Foresta Umbra, scarce

Shepherd's Needle Stony hillsides, field margins, common

Perfoliate Alexanders Monte Sacro, Peschici Thapsia Open hillsides, leaves only Tordylium Stony ground, widespread

Spreading Hedge Parsley Monte Sant'Angelo

Periwinkle Family

Oleander (leaves only) Monte Saraceno, Pulsano monastery Periwinkle Roadsides, shrubby areas, nr Peschici

Ivy Family

Monte Sacro, Foresta Umbra Ivy

Holly Family

Holly Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Birthwort Family

Birthwort Bosco de Spinapulci, very common,

Milkweed Family

Swallow-wort Roadsides, tracks, quarries, leaves only

Daisy Family

Andryala Roadsides, tracks, fields, leaves only

Wormwood Roadsides, foliage only

Daisy Short grassland, tracks, very common Southern Daisy Grassland, woodland rides, common

Field Marigold Cultivated areas, common Apennine Thistle Stony hillsides, foliage only Perennial Cornflower Bosco Quarto, scarce Woolly Thistle Stony hillsides, leaves only

Pink Hawksbeard Stony hillsides, open areas, common Open, rocky areas, mostly foliage Crupina Woody Fleabane Bosco Quarto, foliage only

Woodlands, common in damper areas Heart-leaved Leopard's-bane

Leopard's-bane Bosco Quarto, frequent

Evax Open, stony areas, damp patches

Galactites Widespread, open areas Crown Daisy Monte Sant'Angelo

Corn Marigold Roadsides, cultivated areas, frequent Curry Plant Cistus scrub, hillsides, olive groves A 'dandelion' Widespread, cultivated and waste areas

Mullein-leaved Spikenard Cistus scrub areas, foliage only Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro Pallenis

Hairy Viper's-grass Roadsides, verges

Milk Thistle Roadsides, verges, dry areas Prickly Sow-thistle Roadsides, waste ground

A Goat's-beard Roadsides A Goat's-beard Roadsides

Open, sunny areas, stony ground Urospermum

Spiny Cocklebur Coastal saltpans, beaches

Birch Family

Hazel Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto

Carpinus orientalis Ostrya carpinofolia

Boraginaceae

Alkanna lehmanii Anchusa cretica Borago officinalis

Lithospermum purpurocaerulea

Cerinthe major
Echium italicum
Echium plantagineum
Echium vulgare
Myosotis arvensis
Myosotis discolor
Myosotis ramossissima
Myosotis sylvatica
Onosma lucana
Pulmonaria montana
Pulmonaria officinalis

Brassicaceae (Cruciferae)

Cardamine bulbifera
Cardamine plumieri
Aethionema saxatile
Arabis verna
Biscutella didyma
Arabis caucasica
Arabis turrita
Aubrieta columnae
Alyssoides sinuata
Sisymbrium officinale
Capsella bursa-pastoris

Isatis tinctoria Raphanes raphanistrum

Kappanes raphamstrun Lepidium draha Alliaria petiolata Bunias erucago Alyssum saxatile Thlaspi (perfoliata)

Cactaceae

Opuntia ficus-indica

Campanulaceae

Campanula garganica Campanula erinus

Caprifoliaceae

Lonicera etrusca Lonicera periclymenum Samhucus ebulus Samhucus nigra Hornbeam Hop Hornbeam

Forget-me-not Family

Dyer's Alkanet blue-flowered' Anchusa

Purple Gromwell Honeywort

Pale Bugloss

Borage

Purple Viper's Bugloss Viper's Bugloss

Field Forget-me-not Changing Forget-me-not (Small) Forget-me-not Wood Forget-me-not

Pale Goldendrops Mountain Lungwort

Common Lungwort

Cabbage Family

Coralroot Bittercress Ivy-leaved Bittercress Burnt Candytuft Spring Rock Cress

Biscutella Garden Rockcress

Tower Mustard Aubrieta Alyssoides Hedge Mustard

Sherpherd's Purse

Woad
Wild Radish
Hoary Cress
Garlic Mustard
Warty Cabbage
Yellow Alyssum

(Cotswold) Penny-cress

Cactus Family

Prickly Pear Cactus

Bellflower Family

Gargano Bellflower

Bellflower

Honeysuckle Family

Etruscan Honeysuckle Honeysuckle

Dwarf Elder, Danewort

Elder

Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto

Monte Sant'Angelo

Monte Sant'Angelo

meadows nr Piscina Pantolfe Sunny, open areas, common Stony hillsides, widespread, Roadside stop, day 7

Roadside stop, day 7 Roadside stop, day 7

Stony hillsides, roadside verges Roadsides, verges, stony slopes

Bosco Quarto Bosco Quarto Monte Sant'Angelo

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra Pulsano Monastery. *Endemic*

Foresta Umbra

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto Hillsides near Monte Sant'Angelo Monte Sacro, Monte Sant'Angelo Monte Sacro, stony hillsides, Pulsano

Monte Sant'Angelo
Monte Sant'Angelo

Monte Sant'Angelo, walls and steps Pulsano Monastery, on walls

Roadsides

Roadsides, bare ground, common

Roadsides, common Roadsides, cultivated areas

Roadsides, tracks, Pulsano monastery Roadsides, verges, Bosco Quarto Scarce, stony ground, Pulsano Stony hillsides, very common Tulip field nr Monte Sant'Angelo

Gardens, Monte San Angelo, Peschici

Pulsano, Castle walls, Monte

Sant'Angelo

Rocky areas, scarce, leaves only

Hedgerows, scarce

Hedgerows, woods, common Stony ground, Pulsano, leaves only Widespread, hedgerows, field margins

Caryophyllaceae

Cerastium fontanum Cerastium glomeratum Minuartia (trinerva?)

Silene conica Silene gallica Silene italica Silene latifolia Silene vulgaris Stellaria media

Stellaria nemorum

Celastraceae

Euonymus europaeus

Cistaceae

Cistus creticus Cistus monspeliensis Cistus salvifolius

Helianthemum apenninum Heliantemum oelandicum ssp canum Helianthemum nummulariam

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia sepium Convolvulus althaeoides C. althaeoides ssp tenuissimus

Crassulaceae

Sedum album Sedum sp

Umbilicus rupestris

Cucurbitaceae

Echallium elaterium

Dipsacaceae

Dipsacus fullonum

Ericaceae

Arbutus unedo Erica arborea

Euphorbiaceae

Euphorbia amygdaloides Euphorbia bi-umbellata E. characias ssp characias Euphorbia helioscopa Euphorbia myrsinites Euphorbia spinosa

Fabaceae (Leguminosae)

Anagyris foetida Anthyllis tetraphylla

E. acanthocamnos

Pink Family

Common Mouse-ear Roadsides, waste ground Sticky Mouse-ear Roadsides, waste ground

A Sandwort sp Bosco Quarto, quarry stop Day 7

Monte Sant'Angelo Sand Catchfly

Small-flowered Catchfly Peschici

Italian Catchfly Stony areas, common, Monte Saraceno White Campion Roadsides, cultivated areas, hedgerows

Bladder Campion Roadsides Bosco Quarto Common Chickweed

Wood Stitchwort Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto

Spindle Family

Spindle Roadsides, Foresta Umbra

Rock-rose Family

Pink Cistus Monte Sacro, roadsides nr Peschici

Narrow-leaved Cistus Monte Saraceno Sage-leaved Cistus Monte Saraceno White Rock-rose Monte Sant'Angelo Hoary Rock-rose Monte Sant'Angelo Rock-rose Monte Sant'Angelo

Bindweed Family

Hedge Bindweed Roadsides, hedgerows

Roadsides, stony ground, common Mallow-leaved Bindweed

Mallow-leaved Bindweed sp Roadsides, stony ground

Stonecrop family

White Stonecrop Stony ground, widespread,

A stonecrop (not flowering) Pulsano monastery

Wall Pennywort Damp walls, Monte Sant'Angelo

Cucumber family

Squirting Cucumber Coastal saltpans, beaches

Teasel Family

Teasel Roadsides, waste ground

Heather Family

Srawberry Tree Peschici, Mattinata Tree Heather Monte Sacro area

Spurge Family

Wood Spurge Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Whorled Spurge Pulsano Monastery

Mediterranean Spurge Sunny open areas, stony ground

Sun Spurge Waste ground, common

Broad-leaved Glaucous Spurge Monte Sant'Angelo, Bosco Quarto Monte Sant'Angelo

Spiny Dwarf Spurge

Spiny Spurge

Pea Family

Bean Trefoil Roadside stop and quarry, day 7,

Bladder Vetch Roadsides

Anthyllis vulneraria ssp praepropera Kidney Vetch (pink form) Open, areas, stony ground, common

Astragalus monspessulanus False Vetch Monte Sant'Angelo Calycotome infesta Spiny Broom Monte Sacro

Ceratonia siliqua Carob Gardens, Monte Sant'Angelo, Peschici Cercis siliquastrum Judas Tree Monte Sant'Angelo

Coronilla scorpioides Annual Scorpion Vetch Pulsano Monastery Cytisus decumbens ssp elatior Prostrate Broom Monte Sant'Angelo Cytisus villosus Broom sp Bosco Quarto

Hedysarum coronarium Italian Sainfoin Monte Sant'Angelo, Pulsano monastery

Horseshoe Vetch sp Monte Sant'Angelo Hippocrepis glauca Horseshoe Vetch sp Hippocrepis unisiliquosa Monte Sant'Angelo Hymenocarpus circinnatus Disk Trefoil Peschici viewpoint Lathyrus aphaca Yellow Vetchling Peschici, Fly-tip stop area

Lathyrus cicera Vetchling sp Fly-tip stop Lathyrus clymenum Roadsides Vetchling sp Lathyrus setifolius Red Grass Vetchling Monte Saraceno

Lathyrus (verna) Spring Pea Bosco Quarto, leaves and buds only

Lotus edulis Edible Lotus Roadsides

Lupinus micranthus Hairy Lupin Monte Sacro, Peschici Medicago arabica Spotted Medick Monte Sant'Angelo Medicago marina Sea Medick Coastal saltpans, sand dunes

Medicago rigidula Medick sp Roadsides

Melilotus indicus Small Mellilot Pulsano Monastery Onobrychis aequidentata Sainfoin sp Pulsano Monastery Onobrychis saxatilis Rock Sainfoin Monte Sant'Angelo

Pisum sativum ssp elatior Cultivated Pea Roadsides

Psoralea bituminosa Pitch Trefoil Pulsano Monastery, roadsides

Robinia pseudacacia False Acacia Roadsides, towns

Scorpiurus muricatus Roadside stops, quarry stop, Day 7 Scorpiurus

Sc. vermiculatus Roadsides

Spartium junceum Spanish Broom Common, stony open areas Tetragonolobus purpureus Winged or Asparagus Pea Peschici, Fly-tip stop area Trifolium campestre Hop Trefoil Roadsides, stony ground

Trifolium hirtum Hairy Trefoil Bosco Quarto, roadsides and tracks

White Clover Trifolium repens Cultivated areas, common

Trifolium resupinatum Reversed Clover Fly-tip stop Trifolium stellatum Starry Clover Monte Sant'Angelo

Trifolium tomentosum Woolly Trefoil Monte Sant'Angelo, coastal areas,

Vicia bithynica Bithynian Vetch Monte Sant'Angelo

Vicia cracca Tufted Vetch Fly-tip stop, tulip field margins Vicia hirsuta Hairy Tare Bosco Quarto roadsides

Yellow Vetch sp Pulsano Monastery Vicia hybrida

Vicia lutea Yellow Vetch Monte Sacro Black Vetch Vicia melanops Roadsides, hedgerows

Vicia narbonensis Wild Bean' Roadsides, hedgerows Vicia sativa Common Vetch Roadsides, hedgerows Vicia villosa Fodder Vetch Cultivated areas

Fagaceae **Beech Family**

Castanea sativa Sweet Chestnut Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra Fagus sylvatica Beech Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto Kermes Oak Ouercus coccifera Bosco Quarto, open sunny areas

Quercus ilex Holm Oak Bosco Quarto Quercus pubescens Downy Oak Monte Sant'Angelo Quercus cerris Turkey Oak Bosco Quarto, common

Bosco Quarto -woodland clearings

Monte Sant'Angelo, Pulsano Monastery

Roadsides, hedgerows

Roadsides, hedgerows

Quarry stop, day 7

Monte Sant'Angelo

Monte Sant'Angelo

Hedgerows, shady places

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Bosco Quarto, quarry stop day 7

Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro

Roadsides, hedgerows, shady places

Roadsides, hedgerows

Grassy areas, roadsides

Monte Sacro

Fumariaceae

Corydalis solida Fumaria capreolata Fumaria (officinalis)

Gentianaceae

Blackstonia perfoliata

Geraniaceae

Erodium ciconium
Erodium cicutarium
Erodium malacoides
Geranium columbinum
Geranium dissectum
Geranium lucidum
Geranium molle
Geranium purpureum
Geranium robertianum
Geranium sanguineum

Lamiaceae (Labiatae)

Ajuga chamaepitys
Ajuga genevensis
Clinopodium acinos
Lamium bifidum
Lamium garganicum
Lamium maculatum
Marrubium vulgare
Origanum vulgare
Prasium majus
Prunella vulgaris
Rosmarinus officinalis
Salvia argentea
Salvia verbenaca
Satureja hortensis
Sideritis syriaca

Linaceae

Stachys cretica

Thymus capitatus

Linum bienne Linum narbonense Linum catharticum

Malvaceae

Malva sylvestris

Moraceae

Ficus carica

Oleaceae Fraxinus ornus

Fraxinus excelsior Ligustrum vulgare **Fumitory Family**

Bird-in-a-bush
Tall Ramping Fumitory
(Common) Fumitory

Gentian Family

Yellow Wort (leaves only)

Crane's-bill Family

Stork's-bill sp Common Stork's-bill Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill Long-stalked Cranesbill

Cut-leaved Cranesbill
Shining Cranesbill
Dove's-foot Cranesbill

Little Robin Herb Robert Bloody Cranesbill

Deadnettle Family

Ground Pine
Blue Bugle

Blue Bugle Bosco Quarto
Basil-thyme Open, stony areas, rocks, scarce

Deadnettle sp Bosco Quarto

Large Red Deadnettle Monte Sant' Angelo, Pilgrim's Path Spotted Deadnettle Bosco Quarto

White Horehound Roadsides, open areas, Monte Saraceno Oregano Open, stony areas, rocks, sunny places

Prasium Monte Sacro, Monte Saraceno
Selfheal Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra
Rosemary Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro

Silver Sage Pulsano Monastery

Wild Clary Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro

Summer Savory Monte Sacro
Syrian Sideritis Monte Sant'Angelo
Mediterranean Woundwort Monte Sant'Angelo

Thyme Widespread, stony areas, sunny slopes

Flax Family

Pale Flax Roadsides, waste places

Beautiful Flax Pulsano, roads nr Bosco Quarto

Purging or Fairy Flax Monte Sacro, Peschici

Mallow Family

Common Mallow Monte Sant'Angelo, roadsides,

Fig Family

Fig Pulsano Monastery, gardens, towns

Olive Family

Flowering Ash Roadsides, gardens, cultivated areas

Ash Foresta Umbra
Privet Roadsides, scrub

Olea europaea

Orobanchaceae

Orobanche caryophyllacea Orobanche purpurea

Paeoniaceae

Paeonia mascula

Papaveraceae

Papaver hybridum Papaver rhoeas

Plantaginaceae

Plantago arenaria Plantago lagopus Plantago lanceolata Plantago maritima Plantago seraria

Plumbaginaceae

Limonium (oleifolium)

Polygalaceae

Polygala nicaeensis

Polygonaceae

Rumex acetosa Rumex obtusifolius Rumex pulcher

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis Cyclamen hederifolium Cyclamen repandum

Ranunculaceae

Anemone appenina Anemone hortensis Clematis sp Ranunculus arvensis Ranunculus ficaria Ranunculus millefoliatus Ranunculus peltatus

Ranunculus sceleratus Ranunculus velutinus

Resedaceae

Reseda alba Reseda lutea Reseda phyteuma

Rhamnaceae

Paliurus spina-christi

Olive

Extensively cultivated, esp at Mattinata

Broomrape Family

Clove-scented Broomrape Pulsano Monastery - only just emerging Yarrow Broomrape nr Peschici - spikes just starting to grow

Peony Family

Wild Peony Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Poppy Family

Rough Poppy Widespread, cultivated areas Common Poppy Widespread, cultivated areas

Plantain Family

Branched Plantain Stony ground, hillsides

Hare's-foot Plantain Bosco Quarto, stony areas, common

Ribwort Plantain Roadsides, cultivated areas Sea Plantain Monte Saraceno, Peschici Med'n Buck's-horn Plantain Monte Saraceno, Peschici

Thrift Family

a Rock Sea-Lavender Peschici, coastal rocks, leaves only

Milkwort Family

Nice Milkwort Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro,

Knotweed Family

Common Sorrel Monte Sacro

Broad-leaved Dock Widespread, roadsides, waste places Fiddle Dock Cyclamen stop Foresta Umbra

> Widespread, waste places, roadsides Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto - leaves

Foresta Umbra, Bosco di Spinapulci

Primrose Family

Scarlet Pimpernel (blue and

Ivy-leaved Sowbread Spring Cyclamen

Buttercup Family

Blue Anemone Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto Mauve' Anemone Wild Clematis

Foresta Umbra

Corn Buttercup Widespread, cultivated areas

Lesser Celandine Bosco Quarto

Fine-leaved' Buttercup Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro,

Pond Water-crowfoot Peschici storm drain areas Celery-leaved Buttercup Peschici storm drain areas

Hairy' Buttercup Bosco Quarto roadsides and verges

Mignonette Family

White Mignonette Monte Sant'Angelo Wild Mignonette Pulsano Monastery Corn Mignonette Pulsano Monastery

Buckthorn Family

Christ's Thorn Bosco di Spinapulci

Rhamnus alaternus

Mediterranean Buckthorn

Bosco di Spinapulci

Bosco Quarto

Rosaceae

Aremonia agrimonioides Crataegus monogyna Cydonia oblonga Filipendula vulgaris Fragaria vesca Geum urbanum Malus sylvestris Potentilla hirta

Prunus spinosa Pyracantha coccinea Pyrus amygdaliformis

Prunus dulcis

Rosa sp

Rubus fruticosus agg Rubus sanctus

Sanguisorba verrucosum Sorbus aucuparia Sorbus torminalis

Rubiaceae

Asperula arvensis
Asperula taurina
Cruciata laevipes
Galium aparine
Galium odoratum
Galium verum
Rubia peregrina

Sherardia arvensis

Rutaceae

Ruta chalapensis

Santalaceae

Osyris alba Thesium (humifusum?)

Saxifragaceae

Saxifraga bulbifera Saxifraga granulata Saxifraga rotundifolia Saxifraga tridactylites

Scrophulariaceae

Antirrhinum siculum Cymbalaria muralis Euphrasia agg Linaria pelisseriana Parentucellia latifolia

Scrophularia peregrina Verbascum phoenicium Rose Family

Bastard Agrimony

Hawthorn Widespread, hillsides, scrub Quince Cultivated areas, gardens Dropwort Monte Sant'Angelo Wild Strawberry Bosco Quarto Wood Avens Foresta Umbra Crab Apple Bosco Quarto Hairy Cinquefoil Pulsano Monastery Almond Cultivated areas, common

Blackthorn Monte Sacro
Firethorn Monte Sant'Angelo

Almond-leaved Pear Pulsano Monastery, nr Peschici

Wild Rose sp Pulsano Monastery

Bramble Widespread, hillsides, scrub

Mediterranean Bramble Bosco di Spinapulci Mediterranean Salad Burnet Monte Sant'Angelo Mountain Ash/Rowan Monte Sant'Angelo

Wild Service Tree Bosco Quarto, spreading invasively

Bedstraw Family

Blue Woodruff Bosco Quarto, field margins

Southern Woodruff Foresta Umbra Crosswort Bosco Quarto

Cleavers Widespread, waste places

Sweet Woodruff Foresta Umbra
Lady's Bedstraw Monte Sant'Angelo

Wild Madder Monte Sacro, Monte Saraceno

Field Madder Widespread and frequent, grassy areas

Rue Family

Fringed Rue (leaves only)

Bosco di Spinapulci, Pulsano

Sandalwood Family

Osyris Pulsano Monastery

Bastard Toadflax Pulsano Monastery, Bosco Quarto

Saxifrage Family

Bulbous Saxifrage Bosco Quarto

Meadow Saxifrage Bosco Quarto, Quarry stop

Round-leaved Saxifrage Foresta Umbra

Rue-leaved Saxifrage Monte Sacro, Pulsano Monastery

Figwort Family

Sicilian Snapdragon Bosco di Spinapulci Ivy-leaved Toadflax Pulsano Monastery Eyebright sp Monte Sacro

Jersey Toadflax Bosco di Spinapulci Southern Red Bartsia Bosco di Spinapulci

Italian or Nettle-leaved

Figwort Bosco di Spinapulci

Purple Mullein Bosco di Spinapulci, roadside stop

Verbascum thapsus Veronica hederifolia agg Veronica serpyllifolia

Aaron's Rod, Yellow Mullein Ivy-leaved Speedwell Thyme-leaved Speedwell

Roadsides, widespread and common Bosco Quarto

Solanaceae

Hyoscyamus alba Solanum sodomaeum

Thymelaeaceae Daphne laureola Daphne sericea

Ulmaceae Ulmus sp

Urticaceae Parietaria judaica Urtica dioica Urtica pilulifera

Valerianaceae Centranthus ruber Centranthus calcitrapa Valeriana tuberosa Valerianella sp

Violaceae Viola arvensis Viola heterophylla ssp graeca Viola riviniana

Vitaceae Vitis vinifera

LILIIDAE Agavaceae

Agave americana Araceae

Arum italicum ssp italicum Arum maculatum

Cyperaceae Carex caryophyllaceae Carex echinata Carex sylvatica

Dioscoreaceae Tamus communis

Iridaceae Gladiolus italicus Hermodactylus tuberosus White Henbane

Apple of Sodom

Nightshade family

Daphne Family Spurge Laurel an upland Daphne

Elm sp **Nettle Family**

Elm Family

Pellitory-of-the-wall Stinging Nettle Roman Nettle

Valerian Family Red Valerian a Valerian Valerian - flower buds only

Cornsalad sp Violet Family

Field Pansy Wild Pansy* endemic Common Dog Violet

Grape-vine Family

Grape

Agave Family Agave or Century Plant

MONOCOTYLEDONS

Arum Family Large Cuckoo Pint Cuckoo Pint

Sedge Family Spring Sedge Star Sedge Wood Sedge

Iris Family

Black Bryony Family Black Bryony

Field Gladiolus

Pulsano Monastery

Bosco Quarto

Peschici viewpoint - foliage only

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra Foresta Umbra - higher altitudes

slopes near Castle, Monte Sant'Angelo

Pulsano Monastery Roadsides, waste places Pulsano, Peschici, Monte Saraceno

Widespread, walls, roadsides stony areas, Monte Sacro Foresta Umbra

Widespread, sunny areas, field margins

Bosco Quarto Bosco Quarto

Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto

Extensively cultivated, widespread

Cultivated areas, gardens

Woods, shady places, widespread Shaded areas - Bosco Quarto

Monte Sant'Angelo Foresta Umbra

Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Foresta Umbra - flowering

tulip fields, leaves and buds Snake's-head Iris or Widow Iris Pulsano Monastery

Stinking Iris or Roast Beef

Iris foetidissima Plant Foresta Umbra Yellow' Iris Monte Sant'Angelo Iris lutescens Bi-coloured' Iris Iris pseudopumila Bosco Quarto

Rush Family

Juncaceae

Allium subhirsutum

Allium ursinum

Asphodeline lutea

Gagea (arvensis)

Muscari comosum

Narcissus poeticus

Narcissus tazetta

Smilax aspera

Tulipa sylvestris

Ruscus aculeatus

Ornithogalum umbellatum

Polygonatum multiflorum

Muscari neglecta

Asphodelus aestivus

Asphodelus fistulosus

Asparagus sp

Southern Wood-rush Luzula forsteri Bosco Quarto

Liliaceae

Lily Family Allium neopolitanum Naples Garlic Bosco di Spinapulci a wild Garlic Allium nigrum Bosco di Spinapulci Pendulous Garlic Allium pendulinum Bosco Quarto

Tassel Hyacinth

Rose Garlic Allium roseum Bosco di Spinapulci, roads nr Peschici

Pulsano Monastery Hairy Garlic Foresta Umbra Ramsons wild Asparagus Roadsides, widespread Yellow Asphodel Monte Sant'Angelo Common Asphodel Widespread Hollow-leaved Asphodel Pulsano Monastery Yellow Star of Bethlehem Bosco Quarto, iris fields

Dark Grape Hyacinth Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro Pheasant's-eve Daffodil Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Monte Sant'Angelo

Polyanthus Narcissus Bosco Quarto Common Star of Bethlehem Widespread Solomon's Seal Bosco Quarto

Common Smilax Bosco Quarto, Peschici

Wild Tulip Cultivated fields, Bosco Quarto

Butcher's Broom Bosco Quarto

Monte Sacro - roadsides Urginea maritima Sea Squill (leaves only)

Orchidaceae

Anacamptis pyramidalis Pyramidal Orchid Monte Sant'Angelo, Peschici

Dactylorhiza fuchsii Common Spotted Orchid Bosco Quarto, leaves and buds only Roman Orchid Bosco Quarto Dactylorhiza romana

Dactylorhiza sambucina Elder-flowered Orchid Monte Sacro Lizard Orchid (not in flower) Himantoglossum hircinum Monte Sant'Angelo Himantoglossum (Barlia) robertianum Giant Orchid Monte Sant'Angelo

Orchid Family

Ophrys apulica Apulian Ophrys* endemic Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro

Ophrys biscutella Spectacled Ophrys Bosco Quarto Ophrys bombyliflora Bumble-bee Ophrys Monte Sacro Monte Sant'Angelo Ophrys fuciflora Late Spider Orchid Ophrys fusca Sombre Ophrys Monte Saraceno Ophrys (passionis) garganica an endemic Monte Sant'Angelo

Ophrys incubacea Dark Ophrys Monte Sant'Angelo Ophrys melena Yellow Ophrys, dark ssp Monte Saraceno Ophrys parviflora Small-patterned Ophrys Quarry stop, day 7 Ophrys phryganae a 'yellow' Ophrys Monte Sant'Angelo Ophrys promontorii an endemic Monte Sant'Angelo Ophrys sicula a 'yellow' Ophrys Monte Sant'Angelo

Ophrys sipontensis an endemic Monte Sant'Angelo Ophrys tenthredinifera Sawfly Ophrys Monte Sacro

Orchis (Aceras) anthropophora Man Orchid Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro Orchis italica Naked Man Orchid Monte Sant'Angelo, Monte Sacro

Orchis lactea Milky Orchid Monte Sant'Angelo

Orchis morioGreen Winged (veined) OrchidMonte Sant'Angelo, Bosco QuartoOrchis papilionaceaPink Butterfly OrchidMonte Sant'Angelo, Bosco Quarto

Orchis pauciflora Sparse-flowered Orchid Monte Sacro

Orchis provincialisProvence OrchidBosco Quarto, Bosco di SpinapulciOrchis purpureaLady OrchidMonte Sant'Angelo, Bosco Quarto

Orchis quadripunctata Four-spotted Orchid Monte Sacro

Serapias cordigera Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid Bosco di Spinapulci, in tight bud only

Serapias lingua Tongue Orchid Bosco di Spinapulci, Fly-tip stop

Serapias vomeracea Plough-share Tongue Orchid Fly-tip stop

Hybrids included some of the following:

Orchis morio x Orchis papilionaceaPulsano roadOrchis pauciflora x Or. quadripunctataMonte SacroOphrys garganica x Op. sipontensisPulsano road

Poaceae Grass Family

Aegilops geniculata Aegilops Widespread Arundo donax Giant Reed Mainly coastal Sweet Vernal Grass Anthoxanthum odoratum Widespread Aira caryophyllea Silver Hair Grass Bosco di Spinapulci Avena barbata Bristle Oat Roadsides, dry areas Briza maxima Large Quaking Grass Monte Sacro

Bromus hordaceusSoft BromeRoadsides, dry areasCatapodium rigidumFern GrassPulsano Monastery

Festuca vivipara Viviparous Fescue Bosco Quarto, Monte Sant'Angelo

Hordeum murinumWall BarleyMonte San AngeloLagurus ovatusHare's-foot GrassMonte San Angelo

Melica uniflora Wood Melick Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra

Stipa pennata Feather Grass sp Monte Saraceno

Lichens

Lobaria pulmonaria Tree Lungwort Foresta Umbra

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted)

	Scientific Name	Common Name	Numbers	Notes
1	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus	4+	coastal saltpans day 8
2	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	10+	Coastal saltpans, day 8
3	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea	1	Coastal saltpans, day 8
4	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	singles	coastal saltpans day 8
5	Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus	1000+	Coastal saltpans, day 8
6	Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	1	coastal saltpans day 8
7	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo	daily	Roadsides, hilly areas
8	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	daily	Open country areas, scarce
9	Lesser Kestrel	F. naumanni	5+	roadsides, day 8
10	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	5	Coastal saltpans, day 8
11	Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna	25+	coastal saltpans day 8
12	Mallard	Anas platyrhyncos	1	Woodland pool, Foresta Umbra
13	Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	20+	Coastal saltpans, day 8
14	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	20+	Coastal saltpans, day 8
15	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleuca	5+	Coastal saltpans, Peschici
16	Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis	5+	coastal saltpans day 8

	Scientific Name	Common Name	Numbers	Notes
17	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus	singles	Coastal saltpans, day 8
18	Kentish Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	2+	coastal saltpans day 8
19	Ruff	Philomachus pugnax	1000+	coastal saltpans day 8
20	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	6+	coastal saltpans day 8
21	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus	singles	Coastal saltpans, day 8
22	Slender-billed Gull	Chroicocephalus genei	20+	Coastal saltpans, day 8
23	Yellow-legged Gull	Larus michahellis	30+	Coastal areas, widespread
24	Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	Columba livia		Widespread
25	Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	singles	Widespread
26	Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	singles	Monte Sant'Angelo
27	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus	singles	Monte Sant'Angelo
28	Tawny Owl	Strix aluco	singles	seen in Foresta Umbra
29	Scops Owl	Otus scops	1?	Palace Hotel grounds, briefly
30	Common Swift	Apus apus		Monte Sant'Angelo
31	Ноорое	Upupa epops	1	roadside, Peschici
32	Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis		Foresta Umbra (heard)
33	Skylark	Alauda arvensis	singles	Widespread
34	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	1	coastal saltpans
35	Woodlark	Lullula arborea	1	Monte Sant'Angelo
36	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	sparse	Widespread
37	House Martin	Delichon urbica	few	Monte Sant'Angelo
38	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba	singles	Monte Sant'Angelo
39	Black-headed Wagtail	Motacilla flava feldegg	1	coastal saltpans day 8
40	Nightingale	Luscinia megarhyncos	singles	heard in song in many locations
41	Dunnock	Prunella modularis	singles	occasional in wooded areas
42	Robin	Erithacus rubecula	widespread	Foresta Umbra
43	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe	widespread	Pulsano monastery
44	Common Stonechat	Saxicola torquata	1	Monte Sant'Angelo area
45	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	widespread	Foresta Umbra
46	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus	scarce	heard in song in Bosco Quarto
47	Common Blackbird	Tudus merula	widespread	Foresta Umbra
48	Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla	widespread	scrubby areas, widespread
49	Sub-alpine Warbler	Sylvia cantillans	widespread	Monte Sant'Angelo area
50	Sardinian Warbler	Sylvia cartillaris Sylvia melanocephala	singles	seen well at Peschici
51	Fan-tailed Warbler	Cisticola juncidis	singles	coastal saltpans day 8
52	Firecrest	Regulus ignicapilla	10+	Foresta Umbra
53	Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes	singles	Monte Sant'Angelo, Bosco Quarto
54	Great Tit	Parus major	widespread	Foresta Umbra
	Blue Tit	•	-	
55 56	Marsh Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus Poecile palustris	scattered 1	Foresta Umbra Bosco Quarto
		· ·		Bosco Quarto
57	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus Sitta europaea	5+	
58	Nuthatch Short tood Traceroper	•	10+	Foresta Umbra
59	Short-toed Treecreeper	Certhia brachydactyla	2+	Bosco Quarto
60	Magpie	Pica pica	daily	Widespread
61	Jay	Garrulus glandarius	widespread	Scattered sightings
62	Jackdaw	Corvus monedula	widespread	Monte Sant'Angelo
63	Hooded Crow	Corvus cornix	frequent	Widespread
64	Raven	Corvus corax	singles	Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra
65	Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	daily	Widespread
66	House/Italian Sparrow	Passer domesticus/italiae		Widespread
67	Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs		Widespread
68	Linnet	Carduelis cannabina	few	Monte Sant'Angelo area

	Scientific Name	Common Name	Numbers	Notes
69	Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis		Widespread
70	Serin	Serinus serinus	singles	Peschici, Monte Sant'Angelo
71	Cirl Bunting	Emberiza cirlus	singles	Pulsano monastery road
72	Corn Bunting	Miliaria calandra		common in lowland sites

Butterflies

1	Southern Festoon	Zerynthia polyxena	Foresta Umbra
2	Scarce Swallowtail	Iphicides podalirius	singles on coast
3	Swallowtail	Papilio machaon	singles in sunny areas
4	Large White	Pieris brassicae	common
5	Small White	Pieris rapae	common
6	Green-veined White	Pieris napi	seen almost daily
7	Eastern Dappled White	Euchloe ausonia	singles
8	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines	singles, Bosco Quarto
9	Cleopatra	Gonepteryx cleopatra	scarce
10	Brimstone	Gonepteryx rhamni	occasional sightings
11	Green Hairstreak	Callophrys rubi	occasional sightings
12	Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas	Bosco Quarto
13	Little Blue	Cupido minimus	Bosco Quarto
14	Holly Blue	Celastrina argiolus	Bosco Quarto
15	Green-underside Blue	Glaucopsyche alexis	Bosco Quarto
16	Baton Blue	Pseudophilotes baton	Pulsano Monastery
17	Adonis Blue	Lysandra bellargus	Monte Sacro
18	Brown Argus	Arcia agestis	Monte Sacro
19	Chapman's Blue	Agrodiaetus thersites	Bosco Quarto
20	Large Tortoiseshell	Nymphalis polychloros	Monte Sacro
21	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta	Monte Sant'Angelo
22	Speckled Wood	Parage aegeria	woodlands, shady areas
23	Wall Brown	Lasiommata maera	seen almost daily
24	Small Heath	Coenonympha pamphilus	occasional sightings
25	Italian Marbled White	Melanargia arge	Bosco Quarto

Moths

1	Cream-spot Tiger Moth	Arctia villica		Pulsano Monastery road
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Reptiles and amphibians

1	Common Wall Lizard	Podarcis muralis	seen almost daily
2	Italian Wall Lizard	Podarcis sicula	seen almost daily
3	Common Lizard	Lacerta vivipara	occasional sightings
4	Red-eared Terrapin	Trachemys scripta	Lago Umbra
5	Green Toad	Bufo viridis	Peschici stream
6	Common Toad	Bufo bufo	tadpoles in Lago Umbra