

# John Anthony's Flora of Sutherland



*Saxifraga aizoides* 379 Rose-root.  
*Primula scotica*.  
*Saxifraga aizoides*. Mountain saxifrage.  
*Scilla maritima*. Spring squill.  
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John Anthony (foreground) together with left to right Professor R. J. D. Graham, Professor Sir William Wright-Smith, Mr J. L. Smith and Sir George Taylor



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## Editorial Note

John Anthony died in June 1972 at the age of 78 just at a time when his Flora of Sutherland was almost completed. His interest in the Scottish Flora was a long one stemming from student days in Edinburgh, where he read both arts and science. He completed his B.Sc. in 1926 and that same year he became a Fellow of the Botanical Society of Edinburgh. After some time in Malaya in the late 1920s he returned to Scotland as an assistant lecturer in Botany, first in Dundee then later as lecturer in Forest Botany in the University of Edinburgh. Retirement in 1958 was for John Anthony the stimulus to complete, what was for him both a challenge and a labour of love, the first county flora for Sutherland. He spent nearly twenty years of his life on this project, assisted for much of this time by his wife. I personally recall him as a quiet, modest yet friendly individual, whom I met from time to time in Bettyhill, the centre of his interests in Sutherland. A retired Army Captain from the First World War, holder of the Military Cross, a teacher, a scholar, an expert on wood anatomy, a man widely travelled in both the Far and Middle East and now the author of a county flora, such a combination of attributes is rare especially in our modern specialised way of life.

In compiling John Anthony's Flora, I have edited and added to sections he produced for the original manuscript. The sections concerned with Botanical Districts and Botanical Exploration are close to John Anthony's original, whereas the bibliography has been extended a good deal. Both the Index of Botanical Names and the Index of Latin Names have been added to the original script. I am particularly grateful to Mr Donald Paterson of the Botany Department of Aberdeen University for his help in this matter. I am responsible for the sections: The County of Sutherland, Climate, Geology, Soils, Vegetation and the Influence of Man. Dr Roy Watling kindly provided a short note on the Fungal Flora of Sutherland. Photographs are acknowledged individually. Throughout I have tried to blend my style with that of John Anthony. The main part of the flora has been edited and checked as far as possible and a list of authorities is to be found at end of the flora. In most cases the records are somewhat detailed being specific to the parish. While I have checked almost all the records with the Atlas of the British Flora, or with my personal experience of the north coast of Sutherland, I think there are very few doubtful records. In fact, I suspect that some of the older records may be confirmed and extended in the light of more extensive surveys especially in the west of the county. Thus any additional information or correction to the contents of the flora would be most appreciated.

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Colour plates for a Flora are very expensive and I am grateful for the opportunity to use Shirley Poole's paintings. Permission to print the cover was given by Miss Shirley Poole of Middlesborough and by Misses Jean, Christine and Elsie McKay of Tigh-na-craig Bettyhill. The painting is one of many by Miss Poole to be found in several houses in Sutherland.

It took John Anthony a considerable time to compile his manuscript and it has taken me a number of years to produce the completed flora. During this time the Botanical Society of Edinburgh have shown immense patience and have always been in every way an encouragement.

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## The County of Sutherland

From the North Sea to the Atlantic Ocean the far north of Scotland is an area quite unlike any other in Britain. Sutherland is a countryside apparently compressed by the sky into the great central plain of A'Mhoine, and a coastline torn to pieces by storm seas. A large county, the fifth largest in Scotland, it suffers from an overabundance of peat and rock. This empty landscape has hidden within it evidence of a time of trees and straths crowded with people. Now the population of Sutherland live in sheltered and fertile areas along the coast; isolated houses in scatteredcrofting communities.

The grandeur of the county is expressed in its extensive horizon. In many places a view of 20 miles is not uncommon. The north coast is formed of precipitous cliffs with only a few sandy beaches. From Cape Wrath to Strathy Point the cliffs are for the most part over 400 ft in height but reach 900 ft on Clo Mor. The two Kyles of Durness and Tongue, each with wide sands and set against a backcloth of high mountains, break this flat northern coastline. In contrast, Loch Eriboll with its fiord-like contours has an isolated beauty of its own and is at the same time one of the greatest natural harbours in Britain. Of the northern mountains, Ben Loyal and Ben Hope are the most outstanding, the former with its steep northern face and central castle dominating the countryside for a great distance around. Even Coldbackie Hill (the watch hill), although only 1000 ft, has imposing conglomerate cliffs rising almost vertically from the sea and commanding a view from the Hebrides to the Orkneys.

The eastern boundary with Caithness follows a watershed from Drumhollistan in the north to the Ord in the east. From Melvich to Kinbrace along Strath Halladale, the boundary is one of wild moorland and deer forest. Moving further south, Kinbrace is the gateway to the strath of Kildonan, where gold and semi-precious stones are found. Helmsdale, a fishing port of some repute in earlier times, lies at the southern end of the boundary with Caithness.

Along the south-east, bounded by the Moray Firth, is a low flat coastline fringed with sand dunes and one large inlet, the land-locked Loch Fleet. Further north, near Loth, another loch with its accompanying swamp was drained during the last century. In this area ample evidence of man's influence over some considerable time period can be found in the remains of brochs and chambered cairns on the flat coastal areas south of Loth. The south-east of the county from Brora to Bonar Bridge is the most densely populated area in the county, lying as it does on good soils derived

from friable sandstones and in an unexposed and warm climatic zone. Around Golspie these conditions result in good agricultural land and extensive woodlands.

On its southern boundary, the county is one of contrasts in scenery. From Bonar Bridge westwards up the Shin valley trees dominate the countryside; many of them planted along the Kyle of Sutherland by the Forestry Commission. The boundary then follows the course of the River Oykell, in its broad valley to a source on the slopes of Breabeg (2670 ft) and southwards along the watershed to the Cromalt Hills (1692 ft). The western end of the boundary enters the sea at Loch Kirkaig after traversing Loch Veyatie and Fionn Loch. As well as crossing a great range of geological structures from the new sandstones of the east to the very old Lewisian gneiss of the west, through Durness limestone at Elphin and Inchnadamph, the south of the county contains a wide range of plant habitats due to a variety of climatic conditions. The west coast and higher hills of central Sutherland are extremely exposed, while the east coast and Kyle of Sutherland are comparatively sheltered. The west coast of Scotland is renowned for its beauty although this is associated more with the counties of the south. However, the coastline of Sutherland has tremendous variety and beauty, from the cliffs of Stoer Head and the glorious white sands of Achmelvich to the mountains of Suilven, Cannisp and Quinag. Many sea lochs and bays along the west coast give a long, tortuous coastline which is, for the most part, rocky but with wide sandy bays at Sandwood, Scourie, Clashnessie, Stoer, Clachtoll and Achmelvich. Innumerable islands, of which Handa and Oldany are the largest lie off the coast; some are used for grazing but none are inhabited. The topography of this area is most important for plant life, since any place which affords shelter from the westerly winds can reap the benefit from a generally mild climate on the west coast. In the far north-west of the county lies the desolate and extremely exposed coastline of the Parphe, a highly inaccessible area of great beauty and interest. The Parphe was mentioned in Blaeu's Atlas as having many wolves and later Gordon cites the area as one with an abundance of red deer. The geological structure is one of Lewisian gneiss, covered by blanket peat, with scattered outcrops of sandstone and limestone while bare quartzite screes occur on Ben Stack and Foinaven.

In the interior, Sutherland is a vast plain of peat, broken only by the isolated mountain peaks of Ben Hope, Ben Loyal and Foinaven in the north; Ben Griam More, Ben Griam Beg, Ben Armine and Ben Klibreck in the centre and Ben Stack, Ben More Assynt and the trio of Cannisp, Quinag and Suilven in the west.

The county may be divided into three drainage basins. To the north the rivers drain into the Pentland Firth. These are the Dionard into the Kyle of Durness, the Hope from Loch Hope, the Borgie and the Naver into Torrisdale bay, the Strathy from Loch Strathy and the Halladale which enters the sea at Bighouse bay. To the west three large rivers flow into the

Atlantic Ocean; the Laxford from Loch Stack, the Inver from Loch Assynt and the Kirkaig from Loch Veyetie. In the third zone the rivers flow into the Moray Firth. These are the Helmsdale, Brora, Golspie, Fleet, Evelix and the Oykell with its tributaries the Cassley and the Shin. There is a very large number of lochs in the county, especially in the west, varying in size from Loch Shin (17 miles) to mere lochans. They provide an interesting and diverse habitat for aquatic plants, from the alkaline lochs of the limestone districts (also famed for their large trout) to the peaty and highly acid lochans scattered throughout the west and over the central plain.

## Geology

A short section on the geomorphic pattern of the preglacial landscapes of Sutherland is included in this flora because in many cases the composition of these older rocks has a dominating control over soil formation within the county. Thus geological formations influence the distribution of vegetation types and individual species. The geology of Sutherland is as varied as anywhere in Europe although much of the variation is found in the extreme east and west of the county, the central belt being dominated by Moine Schists.

A most important feature of solid geology in Sutherland is the great Moine Thrust plane running SSW from Loch Eriboll, which separates the eastern Moine schists from the complex assemblage of Lewisian, Torridonian and Cambrian rocks of the west. The oldest rocks of the area are thought to be the Lewisian gneisses which form the basic rock structure of Sutherland. This structure was intensively folded and metamorphosed to give a denuded surface upon which the Torridonian sandstones were laid down during the Pre-Cambrian. Relict hills of sandstone are clearly seen overlying the Lewisian strata around Lochinver. Early geologists likened Suilven, Cannisp, Cul Mor and Cul Beag to Torridonian ships on a Lewisian sea and this description is most apt. The gneiss, with its numerous intrusive dykes of basalt, granite and basic rocks, is intensively ice-worn, giving rise to grey knolls and ridges, polished smooth and bare, which retain their comparative level except towards their eastern boundary where it rises steeply to form the western flanks of Cranstackie, Foinaven, Arkle and Ben Stack. Innumerable hollows have been scooped out by ancient glaciers and these now form hundreds of lochans, which with the large expanses of bare rock, are characteristic of this formation. In the extreme north, near Cape Wrath, Torridonian sandstones form magnificent sea cliffs at Clo Mor.

The Cambrian strata, including Durness limestone, overlie Torridonian sandstones. Mudstones, quartzites and grits are also included in this period. Quartzite forms a variable layer up to 500 ft thick in places, capping the sandstones on Foinaven in the south, while forming the sea cliffs of Whiten Head in the north. This quartzite breaks up into sharp fragments resulting in large screes which characterise the landscape. Where quartzite predominates the land is barren and devoid of vegetation. In its upper surfaces this old sea bed is fine grained and compact and has, running at right angles, cylinders of the same material caused by the action of sand worms. This gives the name pipe-rock to the quartzite. Above the





pipe-rock is a band of brown calcareous shale, with thin dolomite beds and flaggy grits up to 50 ft thick which are traversed by dark markings, originally attributed to sea-weeds, and thus named fucoid beds. On weathering the shale produces a yellowish clay, which being lime-rich, has marked effects upon the accompanying vegetation. The upper layer of limestone is grey in colour and outcrops from Durness to Assynt. Cambrian limestones of the Durness area are the thickest in Scotland. They are extremely variable in quality, in some places containing large amounts of dolomite, while in others siliceous matter is dominant.

Millions of years later the great Caledonian earth movements forced a mass of older metamorphic rocks, the Moine series, westward over the Cambrian series until a narrow wedge of Cambrian rocks was left exposed to the west of the Moine Thrust plane. This process gave rise to the present geological framework of two areas of Pre-Cambrian rocks separated north to south by a band of Cambrian limestone.

The rocks of the Moine series are so called from their occurrence in A' Mhoine, a tract of peaty moorland which extends east of the Moine Thrust. From a lithological point of view the Moine rocks are as monotonous as the Lewisian are diversified. Highly siliceous, flaggy granulite is widely distributed within this series together with finer grained peltic rocks and bands with distorted pebbles from original conglomerates. The flattish areas at 900 to 1000 ft are the remains of planation surfaces with Ben Hee and Ben Klibreck as inselbergs (island mountains) of Pre-Cambrian rock rising from a Triassic desert. This wide tract of country, from Whiten Head to the Cromalt Hills, westward to Strath Halladale and Strath Ullie, is covered with deep peat forming rough moorland and bog.

From the Dornoch Firth to Helmsdale there lies a belt of Old Red Sandstone some five miles wide. Traces of this formation occur on the summit of Ben Armine and at Strathy and Tongue on the coast. Ben Griam More and Ben Griam Beg form terraced pyramids of conglomerate. Ben Loyal owes its distinctive outline to the massive crystalline syenite of which it is composed.

Between the Old Red Sandstone and the Moray Firth, from Golspie to Helmsdale, lies a narrow belt of the newer rocks forming successive layers of sandstone, shale and limestone. These rocks are overlaid with later glacial drifts and boulder clay. More recent still are the peat deposits and the areas of blown sand which form dunes at many places around the coast.



*(J. B. Kenworthy)*

*Plate 1* **Sedum rosea** Roseroot



(J. B. Kenworthy)

Plate 2 **Carex rostrata** and **Equisetum fluviatile** Bottle Sedge and Water Horsetail



## Soils

The complex nature of geological structures, extreme conditions for weathering and the glacial outwash process have led to a wide array of soil structures in Sutherland. Modification of these chemical and physical units has taken place since the last glaciation over a period of 10,000 to 15,000 years. High precipitation and low evaporation in northern climates results in a net downward movement of water. In addition, the influence of man in promoting grazing and burning has modified the vegetation thereby affecting soil development.

The soils of Sutherland are dominated by the products of older metamorphic rocks and are generally acid. The reasons are threefold; the soils are derived from a solid geology which is low in bases such as calcium and magnesium; the rocks are not weathered rapidly; and most of Sutherland is in an area in which movement of water in the soil is predominantly downward. Thus a situation arises that any plant nutrients which are released from rocks in the weathering process are quickly rendered unavailable to the vegetation. For large parts of Sutherland the main source of plant nutrition is rainwater.

In regions with outcrops of limestone, dolomite, calcareous schists, hornblende schists, calcareous sandstone etc., bases, mainly calcium and magnesium, derived from the easily weathered rock structures, replenish the soil with nutrients and ameliorate soil acidity.

In such areas the effects upon soil and vegetation are most marked. This feature is very striking all along the edge of the Moine thrust, but particularly easily viewed along the shores of Loch Eriboll between Kempie and Heilam, at Durness on the massive outcrops and further south at Inchnadamph. The contrast with more acid soils is apparent in the absence of undecomposed organic remains in these soils.

Much of the soil in Sutherland is made up from organic remains of plants accumulating under anaerobic, acid conditions. The major formation is blanket peat developed as a continuous layer of acid organic material, sometimes formed on bare rock but usually over a mineral skeletal soil – always in areas of high rainfall or high humidity. This layer varies in thickness from a few centimetres to over a metre. The upper part of the peat is made from undecomposed vegetation, usually composed of *Trichophorum caespitosum*, *Eriophorum* and *Sphagnum* spp. in the west, whereas on the east and north coasts *Calluna vulgaris* and *Erica* spp. are the contributory species. The former give a dark amorphous peat and the latter a browner fibrous peat. In the west this peat formation can often be

recognised from a distance as eroded hags with shining west faces made up from the moss *Rhacomitrium lanuginosum*.

In areas where the topography is gently undulating ground or a flat enclosed basin, water accumulates giving rise to deeper peat sometimes greater than 10 m in depth. Conditions of this type are found throughout Sutherland but predominate in the north and west, especially in the older gneiss landscape. This topogenic peat is made up entirely from plant remains reflecting in the vegetation layers the history of climatic change in the area since the last glaciation. Layer upon layer of partially decomposed plant remains show the beginnings of post-glacial vegetation with sedges and reeds passing through drier periods when trees invaded the area. Some of the tree stumps in this area, birch and pine, remain embedded in the peat. Birch stumps occur throughout a large depth of peat whereas pine stumps occur usually in one layer but some times as two distinct horizons. Above the tree stumps, dark peat formed from *Calluna* and *Eriophorum* is present, reflecting a cooler wetter climate. Finally the uppermost peat is mainly composed of *Sphagnum* spp.

Where glacial debris has been deposited in the straths of Sutherland or on rock surfaces with only a slight slope, soils have developed which show a structure involving three basic horizons. The mineral soil consists of an A horizon from which minerals and in some cases small particles have been removed; a B horizon into which minerals are deposited and a C horizon of unaltered parent materials. This is usually capped by organic debris in various stages of decay in which the name of the horizon describes the organic matter and its state of decay, litter, fermentation and humus.

A brown earth soil develops in association with herb rich vegetation, usually bearing birch forest in the north and east with oak in the west, or where trees have been removed, good agricultural grassland. Here the A and B horizons are indistinct and good mixing in the soil maintains a relatively even distribution of minerals within the soil, showing little signs of leaching.

If the underlying rocks are poor in minerals and soil develops in an area of high rainfall, above the tree line or where heather has been encouraged by grazing and burning, then a podsol of some type may result. Podsoles are characterised by a leached A horizon from which the sesquioxides of iron and aluminium have been removed leaving an ash grey layer. These compounds, together with other nutrients, are deposited at a lower level within the soil giving either a red stained layer of soil, in the case of the iron podsol, or two layers red stained with iron and black stained with humus particles in an iron humus podsol. Throughout central and eastern Sutherland the thin iron pan podsol with a characteristic well defined layer of oxides, 20–30 cm below a cap of raw humus, is widespread. These soils are easily examined in roadside quarries on the A836 and the A897.

Richer soils are confined to straths in the north and east whereas the strong influence of Durness limestone is seen in the west. Rendzinas are



soils which develop from highly calcareous parent material as shallow soils dark brown in colour and generally with a low clay content. They form a neutral mull-like humus. In Sutherland they support largely grassland and agricultural land having in general a great diversity of species, both higher plants and cryptogams. Rendzinas are found from Balnakiel in the north to Inchnadamph in the south.

On high ground in the east as in the west above 2000 ft the soils are thin and skeletal. These mountain tundra soils have poorly developed horizons caused by weak chemical or biological processes. Such soils are formed under very cold conditions and are composed of angular fragments. In patterned mountain tundra soils the fragments are frost sorted to form solifluction terraces usually bounded by vegetation (Crampton, 1912). The Hamada mountain tundra soils have a continuous layer of fragments with frost sorting absent.

Among the more infrequent soils, one is particularly important in the coastal vegetation of Sutherland. At Invernaver calcareous sands containing 2-4 per cent  $\text{CaCO}_3$  are blown by coastal winds to a height of 400 ft above the beach. The calcium is derived from shell fragments in the sand. On this sand, which shows little development into horizons, except for banding caused by fresh additions of sand, *Dryas octopetala* is probably as abundant as anywhere in Britain. Where springs seep through the sand, calcareous flushes develop in which *Primula scotica* is to be found.

## Climate

The climate of Sutherland shows a wide range of variability. A striking contrast exists between the wetter, milder, climate of the more exposed and rugged west coastal district and that of the drier eastern and northern shores. In the western coastal zone the prevailing winds during the winter and summer months are from the south-west. These bring abundant moisture from the Atlantic Ocean. Rain occurs on more than 200 days each year. The annual average rainfall is 150 cm (60 in.) while the mean annual temperature is 10°C (50°F). The lowlands on the Moray Firth coast lie in the dry belt of eastern Scotland; the average annual rainfall is 77 cm (31 in.). During the spring and early summer cold northerly and north-easterly winds prevail, often bringing sea-fog. The mean annual temperature is 6.2°C (45°F). A further difference is in the range of temperature. In the west the January mean is 6.2°C (45°F) and that of July 12.2°C (54°F). The comparative figures for the east are, January 3.3°C (38°F) and July 14°C (57°F). In the north coastal region, as in the east, cold northerly and north-easterly winds blow during the spring and early summer; the average rainfall is 90 cm (36 in.) and the mean annual temperature 6.2°C (45°F). In all coastal areas snow seldom lies long and the winters are comparatively mild for these latitudes. In the interior, however, the climate is more rigorous. The winters are long and severe, with snow persisting on the hills. Rainfall is high, especially in the western hills, Ben More Assynt 250 cm (100 in.), but declines towards the east. In all areas wind exerts a profound influence, often blowing at gale force, but precise data are not recorded. In these latitudes the amount of daylight differs widely between summer and winter. On the north coast daylight in June approximates 20 hours per day while in January there is scarcely 6 hours. The daily average amount of sunshine in summer is 3 hours and in winter 1 hour. Due to the low elevation of the sun many areas particularly in the valleys receive no sunlight during some of the winter months.

On the whole then, the summers have long daylight but winter days are short and in the autumn frosts come early affecting the valleys which are shaded from the sun by high hills. The winters are long, dark, dreary and boisterous.

Birse and Dry (1970) have assessed the climate of Scotland on the basis of accumulated temperature above 5.6°C and potential water deficit. Such parameters are thought to contribute to a major control of plant growth in terms of potential growing season and utilisation of available water.

Their classification produces approximately eighteen climatic sub-types of which fifteen are present in Sutherland. Of this wide range of sub-types, those described as 'warm' have accumulated temperatures of over 1375 day degrees and are absent from Sutherland, while others ranging through 'fairly warm' (1100–1375 day degrees) 'cool', 'cold', 'very cold', to 'extremely cold' (0–275 day degrees) are present. These units cover the range 'dry' to 'wet' and occur over a physiographic range from lowland to mountain. However, any assessment of climate for Sutherland suffers from a lack of information; the whole county map being based upon six weather stations.

A large part of Sutherland is classified as cool wet foothills and uplands, slightly drier in the east but still rather wet. A coastal zone of fairly warm moist lowland stretches around the west and north coasts in a band, which is never more than 5 miles wide. On the north coast it rapidly merges with a 'cool' zone whereas on the west coast the transition may take 10 or 20 miles and traverse warm but increasingly wetter zones.

Another climatic feature which dominates the Sutherland scene is exposure. In a second climatic map Birse and Dry (1970) have used exposure and accumulated frosts as a basis for their climatic regions. As the assessment of exposure is based largely upon changes in terrain and this is so variable in Sutherland, the picture produced is extremely complex. Most of Sutherland is classified as 'exposed', 'very exposed' or 'extremely exposed', having average wind speeds ranging from 4.4 m/s (8.9 m.p.h.) to greater than 8.9 m/s (18.0 m.p.h.). The only areas classified as sheltered are stretches of country around Bonar Bridge, Strath Oykel, west of Dornoch and a small area near Loch Brora. These have a mean windspeed below 2.6 m/s (5.85 m.p.h.).

The 'moderately exposed' region having wind speeds between 2.6 and 4.4 m/s is generally absent from the west coast but stretches inland along the straths of the east and north coasts. These areas represent the drainage pattern of the sloping Moine thrust which is normally N.W.–S.E. but is also cut to the north by Strathnaver and Strath Halladale. This area of sheltered to moderately exposed ground covers only 10 per cent of Sutherland but is of considerable importance to the general flora of the area, corresponding to the main limits of natural woodland. Woodland is mainly birch forest but with pine, rowan and hazel and, in some places (Assynt) oak; birch and rowan extend beyond this area into exposed sites as high as 1000 ft on Ben Loyal.

The effect of climate on vegetation is very clearly demonstrated, even to the casual observer, on the road from Bonar Bridge to Tongue. Passing along the Kyle of Sutherland the vegetation is largely wooded with some plantations. Stands of birch show a high proportion of *Betula pendula* interspersed with planted beech and oak. The decrease in tree cover becomes obvious around Lairg or on the high road above the Falls of Shin, where birch is the dominant tree and *Betula pubescens ssp odorata* the

species. There is a marked change in climate to cool, rather wet, moderately exposed with moderate winters. Along Strath Tirry to Crask the climate changes mainly in having a greater exposure. Large stretches of this area, with easy access to the main road, have been planted in the past 15 years, although native trees are few and far between, occurring only in sheltered areas and away from grazing pressure. Beyond Crask there is little planting until one descends into Strath Vagastie. Here isolated trees of birch, hazel and rowan line the river side. The high area between Crask and Altnaharra is classified as cool, wet, exposed with rather severe winters. Altnaharra on the shores of Loch Naver has a much better climate. This area, described as cool, wet, moderately exposed, with moderate winters, has plantations around Altnaharra Lodge and extensive natural birch woods on the northern slopes of Ben Klibreck.

Along the shores of Loch Naver on the Bettyhill road, the climate improves rapidly so that even at Syre, some 15 miles from the coast, the climate is classified as fairly warm, rather wet, moderately exposed with moderate winters. Apart from this small area of ameliorated climate, the road to Tongue continues through an area of cool, wet, exposed country with moderate winters until one descends into the Kyle of Tongue where a remarkable change occurs over a short distance on the northern slopes of Ben Loyal.

An increasingly large area of land adjacent to this road is being planted with Sitka spruce and *Pinus contorta*, with a few amenity species on the road-side. It is the change in what is left of natural woodland which is most interesting. Two species of birch form the major tree cover with rowan, hazel and alder occurring irregularly. Although *Betula pubescens* ssp. *odorata* occurs wherever trees are present on this 50-mile traverse of Sutherland, *Betula pendula* is found only in three areas along the road and these coincide with the most moderate climates. At the southern end up to Inveran the species is frequent but absent from Lairg to Tongue, except for a small number at Altnaharra which may have been planted.



## Botanical Districts

In his scheme for the recording of plant distribution in Great Britain, H. C. Watson divided the county of Sutherland into two vice-counties: East Sutherland (v.c. 107) the area drained by rivers flowing south-eastwards into the Moray Firth and West Sutherland (v.c. 108) where the rivers flow west and north into the Atlantic Ocean. Vice-counties are here further subdivided into smaller districts – the parishes. These parishes are based on the river systems and their mutual boundaries are, for the most part, traced along the watersheds. The parishes are as follows:

v.c. 107

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

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ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Creich** lies in the south of the county. It is bounded on the west by Assynt, on the north-west by Eddrachillis, on the north-east by Lairg and Rogart, on the east by Dornoch and on the south by Ross and Cromarty from which it is separated by the River Oyckell from its source on Ben More until it flows into the Kyle of Sutherland and Dornoch Firth. The parish extends to 173 square miles and comprises the left bank basin of the Oyckell river. The underlying rocks are schists of the Moine series and in the north-west Cambrian quartzite on the hill tops. The land is everywhere hilly but mountainous in the north-west where it reaches an elevation of 3273 ft on Ben More Assynt. The greater part of the parish is high bleak moorland. Arable land occurs on the low ground from Invershin to Bonar Bridge, while the lower slopes are planted with pine and oak woods. By the Kyle of Sutherland the marshy meadows are fringed with alder and willows, *Iris pseudacorus* and *Filipendula ulmaria*. The Shin valley is well wooded with birch interspersed with ash, elm, bird cherry and gean. The ground flora includes *Anemone nemorosa*, *Ajuga reptans*, *Endymion non-scriptus*, *Lysimachia nemorum*, *Oxalis acetosella*, *Trollius europaeus*, *Viola riviniana*, *Veronica chamaedrys* and the rare *Ranunculus auricomus*. In the oakwoods are found *Juniperus communis*, *Lathyrus montanus*, *Lonicera periclymenum*, *Luzula campestris*, *L. pilosa*, *L. sylvatica*, *Stellaria nemorum*, *Teucrium scorodonia* and *Trientalis europaea*. Species of *Rubus* and *Rosa* abound on the roadside. More interesting, however, is the considerable range of montane species growing at altitudes up to 3000 ft on Ben More Assynt. In addition to the commoner species such as *Alchemilla alpina*, *Arctous alpinus*, *Armeria maritima*, *Carex bigelowii*, *Cerastium alpinum*, *Empetrum*



*Fig. 2* County of Sutherland and adjacent counties with parish boundaries



*hermaphroditum*, *Luzula spicata*, *Trollius europaeus*, *Silene acaulis* there are the rarer *Juncus trifidus*, *J. biglumis*, *J. castaneus*, *Draba norvegica*, *Poa alpina* and *Deschampsia alpina*.

**Lairg**, an inland parish of 194 square miles, is bounded on the north by Farr, on the east by Rogart, on the south by Creich and north-west by Eddrachillis. The parish consists of the broad valley formed by the chain of lochs – Merkland, a'Ghriama, and Shin. The hills along the watershed north and south of the lochs rise to 1000 ft and on the northern boundary to 2864 ft on the shoulder of Ben Hee. The numerous streamlets all drain into the lochs. The underlying rocks are of granite and schists. The whole area is peat covered. At Shinness, at the southern end of Loch Shin, a considerable area has been reclaimed for agriculture. Recently the level of the lochs has been raised by a dam at the south of Loch Shin, while a second dam in the Shin valley below Lairg has formed a new loch eliminating a large marsh. Extensive new forestry plantings have been made in Strath Tirry. Accompanying these changes there has been road reconstruction. The Flora of the parish is of a typical moorland type.

**Rogart** – like Lairg an inland parish – is bounded on the north by Farr, north-east by Clyne, south-east by Golspie, south by Dornoch, south-west by Creich and west by Lairg. Its area is 97 square miles. The northern part of the parish is drained by the upper reaches of the Brora river and the southern part of the Fleet river. The land is hilly with elevations ranging from 600 to 1000 ft on the boundary hills. The rocks are of gneiss and granite, covered with peat, so that the parish is mostly moorland and bog. In Strath Brora and Strath Fleet there are some 2000 acres of arable land. In the vicinity of Rogart village the following species, all very rare in the county, are to be found: *Barbarea vulgaris*, *Equisetum pratense*, *Helianthemum chamaecistus*, *Lemna minor*, *Lepidium heterophyllum*, *Nuphar pumila*, *Lythrum portula*, *Teesdalia nudicaulis* and *Vulpia myuros*.

**Dornoch** parish lies in the south-east of the county. It is bounded on the west by Creich, on the north by Rogart, Golspie and Loch Fleet and on the east and south by the Dornoch Firth. A small parish of some 34 square miles, it has a relatively long coastline (12 miles), which is low and sandy and fringed with dunes and links. Inland the land is hilly and rises gently to 1100 ft in the north-west. The rocks are mainly of sandstone. The soil near the coast is sandy, further inland of a black peaty loam bearing coniferous plantations. The lower slopes of the hills are occupied by crofts. Plants, very rare in Sutherland, occurring at Cuthill Sands are *Teesdalia nudicaulis* and in a pond *Lythrum portula*; in a marsh at Dornoch *Lemna minor*, *Ranunculus sceleratus* and *Typha latifolia* grow sparingly – all threatened with extinction due to drainage. An interesting area about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles in extent lies west of Dornoch Point and shows transitions from

salt marsh to links. Characteristic plants here are *Armeria maritima*, *Aster tripolium*, *Plantago maritima*, *Salicornia europaea*, *Suaeda maritima*, *Spergularia media*, *Triglochin maritima*. Particularly on areas where turf has been removed are *Juncus gerardii*, *J. balticus*, both abundant, and *Carex maritima*, scarce. On damp grassy places grow *Coeloglossum viride*, *Listera ovata*, *Dactylorhiza incarnata*, *D. purpurella* and *Centaurium littorale*. On the links *Astragalus danicus*, *Arabis hirsuta*, *Sedum acre*, *Juniperus nana*, *Empetrum nigrum*, all plentiful and *Draba incana* and *Antennaria dioica* rare. On the sandy shore *Cakile maritima*, *Salsola kali* and *Atriplex glabriuscula* abound. Another interesting area is at Cambusmore. *Saxifraga hypnoides* (at sea-level) *Helianthemum chamaecistus* both frequent, and *Agrimonia eupatoria* (scarce), while on cliff ledges *Sorbus rupicola*, *Ajuga pyramidalis* and *Orthilia secunda*, all very rare, are to be found. The birch woods here contain *Trientalis europaea*, *Melica nutans* and *M. uniflora*. In the very wet areas are *Carex remota*, *C. curta* and *Equisetum palustre*. The somewhat brackish areas at the waters edge have *Blysmus rufus* (plentiful) and *Glyceria maxima* and *Apium inundatum*, both in the only localities known in the county, scarce.

**Golspie** parish is bounded on the west by Rogart, on the north and north-west by Clyne, on the south-east by the Dornoch Firth and on the south by the Loch and River Fleet which separate it from Dornoch. It extends to 35 square miles. The coast is low and sandy with dunes and links but north of Golspie village it is low and rocky. On the shore at Golspie is a dense tract of *Elymus arenarius* with *Cakile maritima* and *Atriplex* species. Inland is a large triangular tract of arable land, the best in the county. On the low sandy flats and lower slopes of the hills are coniferous plantations with a ground flora of *Vaccinium myrtillus* and *Calluna*. Interesting plants here are *Goodyera repens* and *Trientalis europaea*, both species plentiful, and *Pyrola minor*, *Moneses uniflora* and *Linnaea borealis* all very scarce. The Golspie burn rises in the north and runs through the middle of the parish. In its lower course through Dunrobin Glen its banks are well wooded with alder, birch, ash, elm, oak, gean, bird cherry and goat willow. In the policies of Dunrobin Castle are many exotic trees. On the Mound rock *Saxifraga hypnoides*, *Helianthemum chamaecistus* and *Ajuga pyramidalis* – very rare. *Rosa* and *Rubus* species abound in the hedgerows and roadsides.

**Clyne** parish, in extent 118 square miles, is bounded on the north-west by Farr, on the north-east by Kildonan and Loth, on the south-east by the Moray Firth and on the south-west by Golspie and Rogart. The sea-coast,  $3\frac{3}{4}$  miles long, is low and sandy. The underlying rocks bordering the coast are of sandstone, shale, limestone and coal; inland of schists. The land is hilly rising in the north-west to the shoulder of Ben Armine on which arise tributary streams which join the Brora river before it enters Loch

Brora. The surface is almost all moorland and rough pasture. In the birch woods bordering the loch grow *Trientalis europaea*, *Corydalis claviculata* and on rock ledges the rare *Orthilia secunda*.

**Loth**, the smallest parish in the county, extends to 29 square miles. It is bounded on the north by Kildonan, on the south-west by Clyne, and on the south-east by the Moray Firth. It comprises the drainage basin of the Loth river with its tributaries and several streamlets all of which reach the sea by deeply cut gorges clothed with birch and willow. The short coast line is sandy with dunes and a few rocky headlands. Inland is a narrow zone of cultivated fields with a fertile soil. In the cornfields *Centaurea cyanus* is abundant. On the roadside *Calystegia sylvatica* and *Pentaglottis sempervirens* are frequent. *Rubus* species line the hedgerows. Above the road the ground rises steeply. The lower slopes are occupied by crofts. Towards the northern boundary the hills rise to 2000 ft on Bein Uarie. The rocks are of red sandstone and on cliff ledges and screes *Sedum rosea*, *Saxifraga hypnoides*, *S. stellaris* and *Chamaepericlymenum sucicum* occur. On the moors *Alchemilla alpina*, *Lycopodium selago*, *L. alpinum* (very scarce) and *Rubus chamaemorus* grow. In Glen Sletdale *Lemna minor* has recently been recorded.

**Kildonan** parish comprises the drainage basin of the Helmsdale river with its tributaries and extends to 210 square miles. It is bounded on the west and north by Farr, on the east by Caithness, on the south-east by the North Sea and on the south by Loth and Clyne. The coast, scarcely 5 miles long, has a shingle beach from which the ground rises steeply while to the north of Helmsdale it is formed of cliffs rising to 650 ft at the Ord. In the north-west are many large lochs the streams from which unite to form the Helmsdale river which flows through a wide valley and passing through a narrow gap enters the sea at Helmsdale. The hills on the Caithness border range from 900 ft at the Ord to 1900 ft on Creag Scalabsdale. In the north stand the two Ben Griams each over 1900 ft, on the southern border the land rises from Eldrable hill (1338 ft) at Helmsdale to the shoulder of Ben Armine (2338 ft). The underlying rocks are granite, syenite and gneiss. The surface is for the most part, rough pasture and moorland with small areas of arable land at Kinbrace, Kildonan and Helmsdale where land has been reclaimed. In sheltered parts of the valleys scrub birch with willow are widespread. An interesting alpine flora is to be found on the upper slopes of the Ben Griams, which are topped with old red sandstone debris: *Alchemilla alpina*, *A. filicaulis*, *Arctous alpinus*, *Asplenium viride*, *Cardaminopsis petraea*, *Carex bigelowii*, *Cerastium alpinum*, *Draba incana*, *Dryas octopetala*, *Empetrum hermaphroditum*, *Epilobium anagallidifolium*, *Galium sternerii*, *Loiseleuria procumbens*, *Luzula spicata*, *Polystichum lonchitis*, *Potentilla crantzii*, *Salix myrsinites*, *Saussurea alpina*, *Saxifraga oppositifolia* and *Sedum rosea*. In waste places round Helmsdale are some



plants with restricted distribution in the county: *Bromus sterilis*, *Conium maculatum*, *Hordeum murinum*, *Malva sylvestris*, *Senecio viscosus*, *Torilis japonica*, *Veronica hederifolia* and on the railway sidings *Linaria vulgaris*.

**Assynt** parish lies in the south-west of the county. It is bounded on the west and north by the sea, on the east it is separated from Creich by high mountains, and on the south by rivers and lochs from Ross and Cromarty. Its area is 183 square miles. The greater part of the parish is composed of Lewisian gneiss forming bare rocky knolls with innumerable lochans in the hollows. From the gneiss rise steep Torridonian hills of red sandstone capped with Cambrian quartzite. At Inchnadamph, Elphin and Knockan are limestone plateaux flanked by cliffs. Here are to be found the most interesting plants. *Dryas octopetala* is widespread and abundant. *Asplenium viride*, *Agropyron donianum*, *Arenaria norvegica*, *Carex rupestris*, *Epipactis atrorubens*, *Galium sternerii*, *Polystichum lonchitis*, *Rubus saxatilis*, *Sorbus rupicola*, *Silene acaulis* and *Thalictrum alpinum* occur. On the hills *Arctous alpinus*, *Armeria maritima*, *Potentilla crantzii*, *Carex bigelowii*, *Lycopodium alpinum*, *L. selago*, *Salix myrsinites* and *Saussurea alpina* are frequent. In the lochans *Nymphaea alba*, *Lobelia dortmanna*, *Potamogeton natans*, *Sparganium angustifolium* and *Subularia aquatica* abound. *Trollius europaeus* is common in the fields, *Vicia orobus* on the roadsides. Notable plants on the sea-shore are *Mertensia maritima* and *Sagina saginioides*, both rare.

**Eddrachillis** parish, 226 square miles, is bounded on the west by the Atlantic Ocean, on the east by Durness, south-east by Lairg and Creich, and south by Assynt. The coast, much indented by fiord-like lochs, consists of precipitous cliffs interspersed by sandy and shingle bays. Inland the land is hilly, dissected by glens, and rises to 2980 ft on Foinaven and 2863 on Ben Hee. The rocks are mainly of gneiss, bare and hummocky, red sandstone hills and some limestone. Plants of the sea coast are *Silene acaulis*, *S. maritima*, *Saxifraga oppositifolia*, *Sedum anglicum*, *S. rosea*, *Plantago maritima*, *P. coronopus*, *Armeria maritima*, *Asplenium marinum*, *A. adiantum-nigrum*, *Juniperus communis* ssp. *nana*, *Populus tremula* and *Hedera helix*. In lochans are *Utricularia minor*, *U. intermedia*, *U. neglecta*, *Sparganium angustifolium*, *S. minimum*, *Myriophyllum alterniflorum*, *Nymphaea alba*, *Lobelia dortmanna*, *Subularia aquatica*. On the hills *Arctous alpinus*, *Acchemilla alpina*, *Antennaria dioica*, *Carex bigelowii*, *Empetrum hermaphroditum*, *Loiseleuria procumbens*, *Lycopodium alpinum*, *L. selago* are common.

**Durness** parish, 234 square miles, occupies the north-western corner of the county. On the north-west and north it is bounded by the Atlantic Ocean, on the east by Tongue and Farr, and on the west by Eddrachillis. It is the most sparsely populated parish in Scotland (2·4 persons per square mile). The coast is mainly of precipitous cliffs. There are two inlets, the shallow

Kyle of Durness and the longer deep-water Loch Eriboll. To the west of the Kyle is the undulating plateau – the Parphe. The rocks here are of Lewisian gneiss and Torridonian sandstone. The surface is covered with deep peat and accordingly the region is bleak moorland and peat bog. Between the Kyle and Loch Eriboll lies a range of hills attaining an elevation of nearly 3000 ft at Foinaven. The western flank of the hills is formed of gneiss and the eastern slopes of Cambrian quartzite, and so their vegetation is scanty. East of Loch Eriboll the rocks are quartzite and schists of the Moine series, resulting in a desolate moorland to the south of which stands Ben Hope (3040 ft). Forming a triangular tract round Durness village and a narrow zone on the south-western shore of Loch Eriboll are limestone rocks giving rise to good pasture land. At Balnakeil Bay there is a stretch of shell sand, which inland forms a machair.

On the cliffs at Cape Wrath and Faraid Head, *Silene acaulis* and *Saxifraga oppositifolia* are frequent. *Thalictrum alpinum* occurs on the shore at Koeldale. On the limestone *Dryas octopetala* is abundant, *Carex rupestris* and *Epipactis atrorubens* scarce. In a bog over-lying limestone near Durness these species flourish: *Pinguicula vulgaris*, *P. lusitanica*, *Drosera anglica*, *D. rotundifolia*, *Carex flacca*, *C. echinata*, *C. pulicaris*, *Primula scotica* and *Tofieldia pusilla*.

Common on all the hills are *Alchemilla alpina*, *Arctous alpinus*, *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*, *Carex bigelowii*, *Empetrum nigrum*, *E. hermaphroditum*, *Juniperus communis* ssp. *nana*, *Loiseleuria procumbens*, *Lycopodium alpinum*, *L. selago*, *Polygonum viviparum*, *Salix herbacea*, *Saxifraga stellaris*, *S. oppositifolia*, *Saussurea alpina*, *Sedum rosea*, *Selaginella selaginoides* and *Thalictrum alpinum*. On the western cliffs of Ben Hope are *Cardaminopsis petraea*, *Draba norvegica*, *Potentilla crantzii*, *Salix lapponum*, *S. reticulata*, *Pyrola rotundifolia* (the only locality in the county) and *P. minor*. On the summit of Foinaven are *Armeria maritima*, *Cardaminopsis petraea*, *Cherleria sedoides*, *Juncus trifidus*, *Silene acaulis*, *S. maritima*, *Luzula spicata*, while on Meall Horn to the south *Asplenium viride*, *Draba incana*, *D. norvegica*, *Poa glauca*, *Polystichum lonchitis*, *Saxifraga nivalis*, are found along with other montane plants.

**Tongue** is bounded on the north by the Atlantic Ocean, on the east and south by Farr, and on the west by Durness. It extends to 136 square miles. The coast consists of precipitous cliffs, some sandy bays and a long shallow inlet, the Kyle of Tongue. To the west of Kyle lies the Moine, an undulating tract of bog and moor in the north of which rises Ben Hutig on which *Arctous* descends to some 500 ft. On the shores of the Kyle, Tongue woods contain many exotic trees while in the coniferous plantations grow *Listera cordata*, *Goodyera repens* and *Pyrola minor*. The chief river is the Borgie from Loch Loyal. *Equisetum telmateia* is found on its banks in its upper reaches, the sole locality in v.c. 108. Above Loch Loyal stands the picturesque Ben Loyal. Among the many species are *Alchemilla alpina*,

*Draba incana*, *Chamaepericlymenum suecicum*, *Epilobium anagallidifolium*, *E. alsinifolium*, *Gnaphalium supinum*, *Poa glauca*, but of special interest is the abundance of *Betula nana* in a bog between this hill and Ben Heil. On the island off Skerray, at Melness and Coldbackie, *Radiola linoides* occurs. At Tongue Bay *Alchemilla alpina* and *Oxyria digyna* descend to the cliff tops.

**Farr**, a very large parish of 417 square miles, is bounded on the north by the Atlantic Ocean, on the east by Caithness, on the south by Kildonan, Clyne, Rogart and Lairg, and on the west by Eddrachiles, Durness and Tongue. The coast consists of cliffs and sandy bays. Near the coast there are many bare rocky outcrops. Inland the land is hilly culminating in the south at Ben Klibreck (3154 ft) and in the south-west in Ben Hee (2864 ft). The rocks are mainly schists of the Moine series, granite in Strath Halladale. The parish is for the most part moorland but there is arable land in Strathnaver, Strath Halladale and at Strathy, Kirtomy and Bettyhill. Characteristic plants of the sea-cliffs are: *Armeria maritima*, *Asplenium marinum*, *Cochlearia officinalis*, *Ligusticum scoticum*, *Plantago maritima*, *P. coronopus*, *Sagina maritima*, *Silene maritima*, *Sedum rosea*, *Tripleurospermum maritimum* and *Vicia sylvatica*. Plants, unusual in the north are *Ononis repens*, a rayless form of *Senecio jacobaea* and *Tragopogon minor* on the dunes, while in the cultivated fields *Centaurea scabiosa*, *Knautia arvensis*, *Euphrasia brevipila* and its variety *reyensis* abound. On the machair above Farr Bay are *Antennaria dioica*, *Arabis hirsuta*, *Botrychium lunaria*, *Coeloglossum viride*, *Campanula rotundifolia*, *Draba incana*, *Dryas octopetala*, *Listera ovata*, *Oxytropis halleri*, *Pimpinella saxifraga*, *Polygonum viviparum*, *Primula veris* and *Salix repens*. On the cliff tops *Primula scotica*, *Scilla verna* and *Euphrasia marshallii* abound. On cliff ledges and screes from Farr to Kirtomy *Sagina saginoides* is to be found. An area of particular interest is the hill west of the mouth of the Naver. Here *Carex maritima* and *Dryas octopetala* are abundant. On the cliff grow *Asplenium adiantum-nigrum*, *A. ruta-muraria*, *A. trichomanes*, *Cystopteris fragilis*, *Epipactis atrorubens*, *Saxifraga aizoides* and *S. oppositifolia*. On Ben Klibreck, in addition to the common alpine species is the rare *Athyrium alpestre*. In a bog nearby, the very rare sedge *Carex chordorrhiza* has its only habitat on the mainland of Great Britain.



## Botanical Exploration

Though the County of Sutherland was without roads until the beginning of the nineteenth century, several travellers had already journeyed there and recounted the hardships of travel. Pennant, who with Lightfoot, entered the county at Knockan in 1772 proceeded only a few miles further to Ledmore where he relates 'the way was impassable for horses three miles further on and that even a foot messenger must avoid the hills by crossing an arm of the sea'.

Nevertheless botanical exploration had already begun. J. Robertson (1768) (a pupil of Dr John Hope) discovered *Oxytropis halleri* at Farr in July in abundance and wrote a detailed description of the plant and its habitat accompanied with an excellent plate. He revisited the area in August to collect seed but was disappointed as only a little was to be found, the scarcity he attributed to the fact that the plants were grazed by cattle.

About this time also there existed the Hortus Siccus of Dr John Hope (Professor of Botany at Edinburgh) the species in which are listed by I. B. Balfour (1907). These included many plants from Sutherland which had been gathered over a wide area. 'At Dunrobin all along the coast is *Saxifraga tridactylites*; at Culgower, *Ajuga pyramidalis*; along the north coast, principally at Farr, *Centaurea scabiosa* (plentiful), *Gymnadenia conopsea* (frequent), *Oxytropis halleri*, *Primula scotica* and *Dryas octopetala*; on the north-west coast *Draba incana* and *Scutellaria galericulata* (plentiful); *Saxifraga oppositifolia* on the rocks at the sea-side at Tongue; *S. aizoides* on all the rivulets in the north; on all the high hills *Rubus chamaemorus* and *Loiseleuria procumbens* (plentiful); *Arctous alpinus* on Ben Griam and several other hills; a *Carex* (nova species) at the mouth of the Naver and *Ulmus* in Assynt.'

Thomas Pennant (1774) made a tour of Scotland in 1772 bringing with him the Rev. John Lightfoot who was to collect material for a Flora of Scotland. Lightfoot collaborated with many botanists for his *Flora Scotica* (1777). Here Dr Hope's Sutherland plants are recorded and in addition *Dryas octopetala*, *Asplenium viride* and *Polystichum lonchitis* which he had seen in Assynt.

W. J. Hooker (at this time Professor of Botany at Glasgow) along with W. Borrer visited many places in Scotland for material for his *Flora Scotica* (1821), in which special mention is made of some Sutherland plants. Of *Pinguicula lusitanica* he writes 'nowhere have I seen it so plentiful as in Sutherland upon the wet moors adjoining Cape Wrath. *Dryas octopetala*

is common all along the coast of Sutherland; *Oxytropis halleri* at the Bay of Farr, Armadale and Invernaver; *Primula scotica* on pastures by the sea at Bighouse and Armadale Bays; *Carex maritima*, discovered at the mouth of the Naver by Dr Hope, is on the sands between the Brora and Helmsdale rivers; *Draba incana* on the heaths on the east coast at Wilkhouse Inn; *Mertensia maritima* common on the coast of Sutherland'.

On a voyage round the coast of Scotland the Rev. John Fleming (1823) – Professor of Natural History at St Andrews – called at Eriboll and noted *Chrysosplenium oppositifolium*, *Dryas octopetala*, *Phyllitis scolopendrium* and *Sedum rosea* while at Faraid Head were *Coeloglossum viride*, *Listera ovata*, *L. cordata* and *Thalictrum alpinum*.

Dr Robert Graham (1826, 1828, 1833) – Professor of Botany at Edinburgh – on three expeditions added considerably to the Flora. In 1825 on the summit of Foinaven were *Luzula arcuata*, *Deschampsia alpina* (*vivipara*) and *Cardaminopsis petraea* growing on disjointed quartz. More extensive explorations in 1827 and 1833 added *Luzula arcuata*, *Poa alpina* and *Deschampsia alpina* on Ben More Assynt. On Ben Hope, *Draba norvegica*, *Salix reticulata* (sparingly), *Potentilla crantzii* and *Minuartia rubella* 'of which I found a single plant somewhere on Ben Hope in 1825, but this season (1833) again in tolerable quantity on the point of one cliff.' At Koeldale he noted, '*Dryas octopetala*, *Thalictrum alpinum*, *Primula scotica* and *Glaux maritima* growing in contact forming a group which can be seen nowhere else in Britain'; *Epipactis atrorubens* in abundance at Koeldale and in Assynt on limestone rocks and in the latter place *Sorbus aria*; *Cladium mariscus* near Badcall in a marsh, in large quantity but flowering sparingly; *Utricularia minor*, much less common than *U. intermedia*, with one colony in flower, in Assynt; *Sarothamnus scoparius*, common in the east, occurs sparingly in the north in Strathnaver and one patch at Borgie Bridge; *Ulex europaeus*, likewise common in the east occurs all along the north coast.' These expeditions are recalled by J. H. Balfour (1865).

While the previous accounts stressed the rarer species, more comprehensive lists were recorded by H. C. Watson (1832) some ninety species noted round Golspie and (1833) about two hundred and eighty species from Farr, Tongue, Eriboll and the hills Bens Armine, Heil, Loyal and Hope. Rare and local species observed were *Fumaria capreolata* and *Draba incana* at Eriboll; *Atriplex sabulosa*, *Conium maculatum* and *Eupatorium cannabinum* at Farr.

In their *Guide to the Highlands and Islands of Scotland*, G. and P. Anderson (1834) list plants that are to be seen at the various localities which they describe.

Dr A. Murray (1836) of Aberdeen who had accompanied Dr Graham in 1827, produced *The Northern Flora* wherein are recorded all the known Sutherland plants – six being further records.

In the *New Statistical Account of Scotland* (1845) many of the Parish



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Plate 4 *Chamaepericlymenum suecicum* Dwarf Cornel

accounts give some botanical information. This varies considerably according to the botanical knowledge of the compiler. There is an excellent description of the Flora of Durness by Dr Graham (1845) while in that of the parish of Tongue by H. M. McKenzie (1845) we learn of changes that are taking place. Woods have been planted with ash, beech, elm, lime, plane, larch, spruce and scots pine. Whin and broom he records as introductions. Plants such as *Lamium album* and *Silene vulgaris* probably also introduced at this time are not present now. Likewise in the parish of Loth at the Ord (since transferred to Kildonan) D. Ross notes *Primula scotica*, *Mertensia maritima* and *Vaccinium oxycoccus* none of which are present now.

While most botanists confined their attention mainly to flowering plants, W. (1857) in a wide tour of the county listed the vascular cryptogams which he observed, many being additional species. In 1883 the second edition of *Topographical Botany* was published and from this the number of species recorded can be seen (Table 1). It is interesting to note that the mountainous western areas (v.c. 108) had received more attention than the more accessible eastern region (v.c. 107). During the next 20 years all of the several botanists who visited Sutherland added many new records besides extending the distribution of known species.

James Grant of Wick collected extensively around Golspie and in Strath Halladale recording 120 new species (Bennett, 1882, 1889, 1893). Some of the more exciting ones are from the woodlands near Golspie: *Goodyera repens*, *Pyrola minor*, *Linnaea borealis* and *Orthilia secunda*. At the Mound he noted *Catabrosa aquatica* and *Apium inundatum* which were not re-discovered until recently (1962); on the sea-shore *Asplenium marinum*, *Valeriana olitoria* and *Zostera marina*, species now extinct in this area; casual species likewise extinct are *Matricaria recutita*, *Verbascum thapsus* and *Chenopodium bonus-henricus*.

W. F. Miller (1890) collected in the north of Scotland, while at Lairg some forty new species were obtained (Bennett, 1882).

Archibald Gray and L. Whinxman (1888) traversed the county in 1886 from Inverkirkaig in the west to Torrisdale in the north, described the terrain and among their collection were seventy-four species new to v.c. 108 (Bennett, 1889). A most notable discovery was *Arenaria norvegica* on the hills about Inchnadamph and on river shingle at the low elevation of 400 ft.

The Alpine Botanical Club visited Sutherland about the same time and recorded comprehensive lists (Craig, 1889) of plants from Ben Loyal, Ben Hope, Invershin, Tongue and Farr.

F. J. Hanbury made several excursions to Sutherland with H. E. Fox (1885 and 1886), with E. S. Marshall (Hanbury, 1887 and Marshall, 1891) and with J. Cosmo Melvill (Hanbury, 1889). Many critical species were recorded from Melvich, Bettyhill and Durness. Along with Marshall he first noted in Sutherland the species of *Cochlearia* later named *scotica*. A



special interest of his was the genus *Hieracium* in which he named many new species several of which occur in Sutherland.

The Rev. E. S. Marshall spent a considerable time in the Highlands of Scotland over a long period (1888–1916). His many visits to Sutherland are described (1891, 1901, 1916) and along with W. A. Shoolbred (Marshall, 1897, 1898, 1909). These accounts and his extensive herbarium make a valuable contribution to the Flora of this large county. Like Hanbury he was interested in the genus *Hieracium*.

The northern forms of *Euphrasia* were another of his interests and a new species *E. marshallii* was named in his honour. With W. A. Shoolbred (Marshall, 1897) he discovered *Carex chordorrhiza* in a bog beside Loch Naver – its only locality in Britain.

G. C. Druce the author of several county floras visited Sutherland on many occasions, on three of which he wrote accounts: a visit to the limestone area at Knockan (1895), to Golspie and Invershin (1903) and in the north (1908). On these and later visits he added many additional records.

From Table 1 it will be seen that few additions were made between the appearances of the first (1905) and second (1929) supplements to Topographical Botany. During this period Crampton (1913) contributed an ecological account of the flora on Ben Armine. This contrasts with the more usual lists of species of former papers.

TABLE 1. To show number of species recorded.

		East Sutherland v.c. 107	West Sutherland v.c. 108	County of Sutherland
Topographical Botany	1883	191	307	391
1st Supplement added	1903	255	167	177
Total		446	474	568
2nd Supplement added	1925	33	34	37
Total		479	508	605
Comital Flora	1932	541	613	676
Present	1966	733	773	883

The Comital Flora (Druce, 1932) shows a great increase in the number of species recorded from the second supplement. This is in part due to variation in the concept of the species and to the recording of introduced species as well as further records.

The next account of Sutherland plants was by Wilmott and Campbell (1944) who collected in the hitherto little-worked district round Lochinver. Of the several new records, *Catapodium marinum*, *Diplotaxis muralis*, *Cephalanthera longifolia*, *Lythrum salicaria*, *Oenanthe crocata*, *Potamogeton berchtoldii* and *Sisymbrium altissimum* have their only Sutherland locations in this area.

In the more recent papers stress is laid on ecological factors. An area modified by blown sands is the plateau to the west of the estuary of the River Naver. This was explored by McVean and Berrie (1952) who recount the flora with special reference to the species of *Empetrum*.

At Inchnadamph, Raven (1952) made a notable re-discovery of the rare *Agropyron donianum* which species had previously been found by E. S. Marshall but its true identity had not been determined. The rich limestone flora of this area is more fully described by this author (1959).

There are extensive tracts of bog in Sutherland. Pearsall (1956) has described the structure of a blanket bog in the valley of the Strathy river and noted the plants typical of each area.

Foinaven – a mountain in the north-west – was visited by Blake (1959) who described the typical flora to be found in the high exposed ridges composed of Cambrian quartzite and Lewisian gneiss. This consists of *Cherleria sedoides*, *Armeria maritima*, *Silene acaulis*, all cushion plants, along with *Cardaminopsis petraea*, *Salix herbacea*, *Festuca vivipara* and *Juncus trifidus*.

The rich flora of Ben Hope was examined by Ferriera (1957, 1958, 1959) who showed that the basiphilous species are confined to a narrow band of hornblende schists on the western side of the hill. Elsewhere in the arid rocks of which the mountain is mainly composed, the flora is poor in species and similar to that found on Ben Loyal.

Of special interest are the discoveries of Ratcliffe on Meall Horn (1958), a mountain in the Reay Forest, where he observed *Saxifraga nivalis* and on Ben More Assynt (1960), a further locality for *Saxifraga nivalis* with amongst other species *Deschampsia alpina*, *Draba rupestris*, *Carex saxatilis*, *Juncus biglumis*, *J. castaneus* and *Poa alpina*. In 1962 in the south-east of the county he records *Potentilla rupestris* – a species not previously noted in Scotland.

During the past decade – as a result of the advent of the Map Scheme – the activities of many botanists have added some 200 additional species to the total recorded in the Comital Flora (Table 1).

## Vegetation of Sutherland

Peculiarities of the Sutherland flora associated with individual parishes are mentioned in the relevant section of the flora (p. 13). In this section a synopsis of the general vegetation classification is included because in many cases these vegetation types are widespread and not specifically considered under each parish description. The most comprehensive vegetation classification is that of McVean and Ratcliffe (1962) in *Plant Communities of the Scottish Highlands* and this account is based largely upon the criteria they accept in their classification. The main feature of their classification system is life-form, ranging from forests through heaths to moss heaths. In most instances this agrees with a classification based upon altitudinal zonation: large trees giving way to heaths at higher altitudes and at the highest altitudes dwarf heaths or mossy heaths. This relationship, of vegetation types having specific altitudinal zones, holds for most of Scotland but in the north and north-west, i.e. Sutherland, these zones are compressed and the general altitudinal limits lowered very considerably. Thus species which normally are confined, in central Scotland, to altitudes above 2000 ft are found at sea-level in Sutherland. Species such as *Dryas octopetala*, mountain avens, *Saxifraga oppositifolia*, the purple mountain saxifrage and *Empetrum hermaphroditum*, are all found within 300 ft of sea-level at Invernaver. Such are the vagaries of climate in Sutherland that only 10 miles away on Ben Loyal the tree line reaches 1000 ft. It is apparent that the life-form of plants in any one area reflects the general environmental status and does not follow a strict altitudinal zonation for this county.

The vegetation of Sutherland can be classified under eight major headings. The most obvious of these being **forest and scrub**. Natural ashwoods are entirely absent from Sutherland although on some of the base rich soils the ground flora of hazel scrub shows a remarkable similarity with that of ash woods further south. Native pinewood with its ground flora of *Vaccinium* or *Vaccinium* plus *Calluna* is absent from Sutherland although there are pinewoods especially in the south-east of the county which show typical species associated with pinewoods. Steven and Carlisle (1959) comment on the two pinewood sites in Sutherland which might be considered as native. The first, on the islands and shores of Loch Assynt, while on areas which would not be amenable to planting, are of even age, about 100 years old and pine is not mentioned in the area in the statistical accounts. This view is confirmed by John Home's survey of Assynt (1775) in which a very detailed catalogue of all the woods in the parish of Assynt

does not include pine. Secondly in the parish of Creich, on the north of Strath Oykell is a stand over 150 years in age which is considered to be a survivor of eighteenth-century plantings.

The oak and birch woodlands of Sutherland are very similar in their ground flora and it appears that birch now occupies much of the low-lying valleys previously occupied by oak. Place names may give an indication of former oakwoods: there is a Baddidarach (Gaelic, Darach – oak) both at Lochinver and near Scourie, and there is evidence of oak woodlands along the west coast and in the south east of the county. In the early eighteenth century oak bark was a valuable commodity in the area, priced at £15 per ton from woodland at Creich. Spinningdale oakwood, Creich is now scheduled as a site of scientific interest even though many of the trees appear to be approximately 130 years old (Pennie, 1966). Oak can replace birch as the dominant species up to 500 ft in the west with little or no change in the ground flora. Where oaks do survive, the associated shrub layer of holly, bird cherry and hazel is generally absent and therefore the oak woods in Sutherland do not appear as a distinct vegetation unit.

Of the woodlands to be found in Sutherland, birchwood is the most frequent ranging from the mature woodland of Drumbeg, Assynt to isolated groups of trees on the central plateau. McVean (1964) recognises two woodland types; the *Vaccinium*-rich birchwoods and the herb-rich birchwoods. The former is recognised by the presence of *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Pteridium aquilinum* and *Deschampsia flexuosa*; the latter by the presence of *Thelypteris oreopteris* and a dominance of grass species *Anthoxanthum odoratum*, *Agrostis tenuis*. The birchwoods of the north and west have bryophytes as the main component of their ground flora. On low lying glacial drift with deep soils the herb-rich communities dominate the woodland floor, but at higher altitudes, and where boulders form the substrate, there is a luxuriant growth of many moss species. McVean (1964) lists twenty-six species from a birchwood at Loch Stack of which twelve are bryophytes. McVean and Ratcliffe (1962) referring to the same general area record the presence of sixteen tree and herb species and thirty-one bryophyte species. Many of these birchwoods appear moribund, with an even age structure and little sign of regeneration.

Other tree species particularly alder and rowan occur as single species stands though only in small areas and infrequently. Alder woodland in an open moribund state occurs at Loch Choire and McVean and Ratcliffe suggest this might be a relic of former climatic fluctuation.

Above the treeline and in places of extreme exposure sub-alpine scrub replaces woodland. In Sutherland juniper scrub is found on some islands in lochs as well as exposed situations. The juniper is normally dwarf Juniper, *Juniperus communis* ssp. *nana*, and is associated with lichens or bryophytes forming specialised communities at sites on Conamheall, Loch Eriboll, Foinaven and Arkle in the Reay Forest, and Ffarmheall, Parphe. Mountain willow scrub is infrequent although the *Salix myrsinites* scrub



of Inchnadamph is worth special note, being restricted to limestone pavement. *Salix aurita* and *S. atrocinerea* are the common species occurring in isolated patches on rock ledges and are in many cases severely wind pruned, as by the road at Coldbackie.

**Dwarf shrub heath** is a widespread vegetation type in the county. In a map compiled for Beekeepers by Wittles (1950), 60–70 per cent of Sutherland is shown as areas of dwarf shrub heath and the dominant species of this heath is *Calluna vulgaris*. Much of the heath is anthropogenic in origin, a living monument to man's destructive powers. Dwarf shrubs are usually characteristic of the low alpine zone, but with the retreat of the tree line in Sutherland they have spread to cover large areas.

The dry heather moor centred upon the central highlands of Scotland and dominated by *Calluna vulgaris* is not extensive in Sutherland. It is found only in the south and east of the county to any great degree and occurs in the north and west only on particularly well drained soils. At low altitudes *Erica cinerea*, *Empetrum nigrum* and *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* are species commonly associated with *Calluna*; at high altitudes *Vaccinium spp.*, *Empetrum hermaphroditum* and *Arctous alpinus* form associations. In addition at high altitudes *Calluna vulgaris* becomes dwarfed forming a dense mat of prostrate plants only a few inches in height. In central Scotland this peculiar heath form occurs at elevations above 3000 ft whereas in Sutherland it is found in the Reay Forest at the 1000 ft contour and in the extreme north of Caithness, Dunnet Head, as little as 300 ft above sea level. In general a line drawn south from Whiten Head marks the distributional limits of the lichen-rich dwarf heaths to the east and the *Rhacomitrium*-rich dwarf heaths to the west. In many areas throughout the north *Arctous alpinus* and *Calluna* form an association rich in species.

One dwarf shrub heath of particular interest in Sutherland is the *Dryas* heath. Although rare and fragmentary in Scotland, Sutherland has some of the finest *Dryas* heath in Britain. This heath is quite different to those mentioned previously in two important respects. Firstly, *Dryas* heaths are extremely rich in species; McVean and Ratcliffe (1962) report 215 different species from twenty lists made on *Dryas* heaths. Secondly, *Dryas* is found in areas where the calcium content of the soil is high. Whereas most of the *Calluna* heaths have soil pHs down to 3.5, *Dryas* heaths are alkaline and have free calcium carbonate in the soil. This situation results from the Durness limestone in the west and from calcareous shell sands along the coast of Sutherland. In Sutherland this heath occurs from sea-level at Invernaver, Bettyhill, to 1700 ft in the foothills of Ben More Assynt; further south in Scotland it reaches 3000 ft in Glen Clova. It is clear that the communities associated with *Dryas* in the north are quite different from those further south. Using data in addition to those of McVean and Ratcliffe (1962), these *Dryas* communities can be divided into three distinct types (Kenworthy, 1969); a *Dryas-Carex flacca* nodum

occurs at low elevations below 300 ft, a *Dryas-Carex rupestris* nodum over a range from 200–2500 ft and a *Dryas-Salix reticulata* nodum at the highest altitudes. Although the *Dryas* communities at Invernaver are very variable and have co-dominants ranging from the dwarf shrubs *Salix repens* and *Empetrum nigrum* to bracken their association of species separates them from the other *Dryas* heaths. It would appear that this association of species dominated by *Dryas* is a unique vegetation unit dependent upon its coastal and altitudinal affinities.

Although *Calluna vulgaris* is a recurring species in the dwarf shrub heaths of Sutherland it is also a constant feature of many vegetation types which may be classified as wet heaths or **blanket bog**. Dwarf shrub heaths merge into blanket bogs wherever there is restricted drainage or a water table permanently close to the surface, and this applies to a large part of the area dominated by *Calluna*. Up to an altitude of 1500 ft *Trichophorum-Eriophorum* bog is predominant forming a typical 'hummock and hollow' type vegetation in which *Sphagnum* spp. play an important part in the process of peat accumulation. In these wetter areas *Erica tetralix* replaces *Erica cinerea*. Many insectivorous plants, such as *Drosera anglica*, *Pinguicula vulgaris*, *P. lusitanica* and *Utricularia minor* are found. Above 1500 ft *Calluna-Eriophorum* bog dominates the landscape and in many cases, north and south of Ben Loyal, by Crask Inn and at Strathy Bog, contains appreciable amounts of *Betula nana*. Also common are *Arctous alpinus* and *Rubus chamaemorus*. Where soils are shallow *Trichophorum-Calluna* bog is found, especially on ground with slopes over 10°. This vegetation type is species-poor and occurs in the western region, containing a higher proportion of lichens than previous types. There are more subtle variations upon this theme of vegetation based upon stagnant water which are not mentioned here but it is worth pointing out that these vegetation types depend almost entirely upon nutrition from rain water. Where bogs have been affected by fire drying out may take place and lead to the spread of *Rhacomitrium*. McVean and Ratcliffe (1962) point to an excellent example on the south-east end of Loch Meadie.

**Soligenous mires** are variants of the wetter moorland types but are grouped together on the criteria of lateral water movement through the soil, tending, in many cases, to give a richer soil and a larger number of species. They are to be found on the lower slopes of hills where lateral drainage is good. *Molinia caerulea*, *Myrica gale* and *Carex* spp. all form mire type vegetation together with *Trichophorum*, *Eriophorum* and *Calluna*. Closely associated with mires are **springs** and **flushes**, sites where there is a strong water flow, sufficient to prevent the development of closed vegetation. The moss *Cratoneuron commutatum* is a distinctive feature of flushes which are calcareous. Large patches of this rusty-golden moss often associated with *Saxifraga aizoides* can be seen from a distance against the surrounding moorland. Examples occur on the south side of Coldbackie Hill resulting from drainage water from the rich conglomerates. *Saxifraga*

*aizoides* also occurs in calcareous flushes with *Carex* spp. particularly *Carex panicea* and *C. demissa* in many parts of Sutherland; Ben Stack, Glendhu, Kylesku, and on the calcareous sands at Bettyhill. In contrast acid flushes give rise to species poor vegetation dominated by *Narthecium ossifragum*, *Sphagnum* spp. and the mosses *Philonotis fontana* and *Pohlia gracilis*.

**Grassland** is not extensive in Sutherland except where vegetation has been intensively grazed in the south-east, the west and northern coastal fringe and along the west of the Moine Thrust. In a general sense there are three major types of which the first *Agrostis-Festuca* grassland, the most widespread, is confined to lower altitudes. This ranges from species-rich communities on soils of high base status to species-poor communities on soils of low base status. The richer types include many herbs and other grasses such as *Anthoxanthum odoratum*, while at the acidic end of the range the grass *Nardus stricta* and fewer herbs occur. At high altitudes the *Agrostis-Festuca* grassland gives way to species-poor grassland dominated by mat grass *Nardus stricta* which occurs on soils of pH 4.2–5.5. Under wetter conditions *Deschampsia caespitosa* becomes the dominant grass. Included in this section are montane grass heaths usually found at the highest altitudes, unaffected by the influence of man. In Sutherland these communities are found on the highest hills and are characteristically grass and moss mixtures, or sedges and moss. For example, a widespread type is *Nardus-Rhacomitrium* on areas with a long snow lie, generally associated with *Vaccinium myrtillus*, *Carex bigelowii* and the lichens *Cetraria islandica* and *Cladonia uncialis*. Of those montane grass heaths based upon the presence of *Juncus trifidus*, the *Juncus trifidus* – *Festuca ovina* type occupies much of exposed sites on mountains. The summit plateau of Ben Hope has a good example of this vegetation in which *Salix herbacea* and *Alchemilla alpina* are constants.

The two remaining units of vegetation are the **herb and fern meadow** and **moss heaths**, the latter being only slightly different from the montane grass heaths mentioned previously. Natural herb meadow is rare in Sutherland since grazing is so extensive, but it is recorded from Ben More Assynt and Meall Horn. Of a wide variety of herbs associated with this vegetation *Luzula sylvatica*, *Angelica sylvestris*, *Geum rivale* and *Sedum rosea* are constant components of the community. This vegetation is found on steep slopes where access to grazing animals is restricted. A dwarf herb meadow is to be found on Ben More Assynt dominated by *Alchemilla alpina* and *Sibbaldia procumbens* and containing *Silene acaulis*, *Thymus drucei* and *Polytrichum alpinum*.

In addition to the major vegetation types described by McVean and Ratcliffe **maritime and sub-maritime** communities are found along the coasts of Sutherland. These plant communities have been described in some detail by Gimingham (1964). Sutherland has a very extensive coastline including cliffs, shingle, sandy foreshores, dunes and saltmarsh. In these habitats sodium chloride from seawater or salt spray has a dominating



effect upon the vegetation, except in certain dune systems where calcium carbonate from shell sand seems to be an overriding feature of the environment. Exposed cliffs harbour a large variety of lichens and dense swards of *Plantago maritima* or *Armeria maritima*. Also *Tripleurospermum maritimum* and *Ligusticum scoticum* are prominent species along the cliffs. On the cliff tops a grassland dominated by *Festuca rubra* is found sometimes associated with *Salix repens*, *Empetrum nigrum* or other prostrate shrubs where soil conditions are a little more acid. Many cliffs in northern Sutherland have both *Primula scotica* and *Scilla verna* as components of their vegetation. Where colonies of birds disturb the cliff top vegetation the area may be invaded by ruderal species. Shingle beaches are not extensive in Sutherland; *Mertensia maritima* being a most spectacular species associated with such areas. Foreshore plants seldom if ever occur in densities sufficient to produce a closed community, especially on the northern exposed beaches where communities containing *Salsola kali*, *Cakile maritima*, *Atriplex hastata* and other *Atriplex* spp. are reduced to a single representative, *Honkenya peploides* as on exposed beaches at Bettyhill.

Sand dunes are perhaps the most obvious feature of coastal vegetation. Due to their continuous state of flux they represent a range of habitats too large to be discussed here. However, the 'species richness' of a sand dune system depends to a large extent upon the chemical composition of the underlying sand. Sand derived from shell fragments has two effects. This more alkaline sand allows invasion by a wider spectrum of species and secondly the influence of such sand spreads further inland giving a greater area for colonisation. Whatever the nutrient status of the sand, Marram grass, *Ammophila arenaria*, is the dominant species in the first phases of dune formation giving rise to dune pasture and/or dune heath of some description. Due to high winds in this area most of the dune systems are in a clearly dynamic state. There are few good salt marshes in Sutherland. They are found as isolated patches at the head of the Kyles or sea lochs. Characteristic species are *Armeria maritima*, *Glaux maritima*, *Puccinellia maritima* and *Plantago maritima*: *Cochlearia officinalis* occurs sporadically but is important in many communities.



## Notes on the Fungal Flora of Sutherland

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The fungal flora of Sutherland is poorly known, there being few published records (see *Mycologia scotica*, Rev. J. Stevenson, 1879) until Dennis reported on the larger fungi of the north-west Highlands of Scotland (*Kew Bulletin*, 1955). Dennis' paper compiles his records from Tongue and adjacent areas and with a few collections made by Henderson in the south-west corner of the county; little more was added until recently when collecting and recording has been extended along the line Cape Wrath/Duncansby Head by Watling. Sutherland is of considerable interest to the mycologist for within its boundaries one can study the fungi of northern examples of British Highland birchwood and herbaceous communities on acidic and limestone outcrops. Bettyhill is an extremely fine centre for the study of the higher fungi, particularly with its close proximity to the Strathnaver area.

The list of fungi recorded for Sutherland is in some ways little different from that of areas further south, mainly because it includes a large number of species which have been recorded by virtue of their association with the numerous plantings of 'alien' trees. It is the details of the species list and their interpretation which are of the greatest interest. However, the introduced fungal flora can indicate trends and in some cases is of particular merit. Thus Borgie forest although being a fairly mature forest is of known and comparatively recent age and therefore most if not all the members of the rich fungal flora (over 100 species can be collected within the space of a 2 hour period) have colonised since that date. The woods about Tongue House and similar established properties have even richer floras reflecting the diversity of substrata available for colonisation.

In contrast the moorlands offer very little, the dominant species being *Omphalina ericetorum*; the active *Sphagnum* areas, however, are colonised by a rather specialised and characteristic group of about a dozen species of agaric, the three most common being *Galerina paludosa*, *G. sphagnorum* and *Hypholoma elongatum*. The moorlands, where dissected by small wooded gulleys, are enriched by agarics suspected as mycorrhizal with the birches, e.g. *Russula* spp. The formerly much wider distribution of this woodland is indicated by the occurrence of agarics such as *Nolanea cetrata* and *Galerina* spp. on the slopes of Ben Loyal and neighbouring highlands. On the summits *Omphalina luteovitellina* has been recorded, a typical mountain fungus associated with the lichen *Botrydina vulgaris*.

The coastal sand-dunes offer a whole range of very characteristic species

including *Conocybe dunensis* (dune brown cone-cap), *Psathyrella ammophila* (dune brittle-cap) and *Hygrophorus conicoides*. Less common species have also been collected associated with the organic crusts and *Collema* spp. found amongst the *Ammophila* plants. Undoubtedly in certain areas of the dunes as in other communities mammal dung modifies the fungal flora, i.e. colonisation by *Stropharia semiglobata*, *Panaeolus semiovatus*, etc. The coastal grasslands particularly on fixed sand are characterised by several edible species of *Agaricus* including species clearly related to both the field and horse mushrooms and by the equally edible large puff balls, e.g. *Calvatia utriformis*.

Where the latter grasslands extend to the cliff tops *Salix repens* invades the turf and although parallel communities are found in many other areas those in Sutherland are particularly rich. These communities within easy reach of Bettyhill, particularly Farr Bay, have been intensively collected over several weeks for several seasons. They are typified by *Russula* spp. (*R. persicina*, *R. fragilis*) and *Lactarius* spp. (*L. lacunarum*, *L. hygginus*) *Leccinum salicola*, *Cortinarius pseudosalor* agg., *Amanita* spp. (*A. rubescens*, undescribed species) etc. a mycorrhizal group of larger fungi and a probably saprophytic group including *Cantharellus cibarius*, a phenomenon just as one experiences in a 'normal' woodland. Grassland fungi are also intermixed in the community, e.g. *Marasmius oreades* (fairy ring champion), *Calocybe carnea* and *Entoloma madidum*.

Undoubtedly the most interesting communities of all in Sutherland are those in the Strathnaver reserve. With its vast assemblage of flowering plants, a parallel and equally unique assemblage of higher fungi is found. *Boletus luridus* is a constant member of the *Dryas/Salix repens* nodum whereas it normally is associated elsewhere in Britain with oak woodland on base rich soils. The genera *Hebeloma* and *Inocybe* are represented by a vast assemblage of species, many of which have still to be determined because of the complexities of taxonomy; however, they are an important integral part of the flora. Even where only a few remaining plants exist the former presence of birch wood on the northern parts of the reserve is reflected by the sudden appearance in the area of woodland fungi, e.g. *Lactarius torminosus*. The *Salix repens* communities at Bettyhill are under careful observation by Watling and are being compared with similar communities at Kindrogan, Perthshire, and on Hirta in the St Kilda group. Very close parallelisms have been demonstrated and it is hoped this work will be published in the near future.

The grassland communities are frequently on acidic substrates and are fairly heavily grazed. Under these conditions the *Hygrophoraceae* play a less important part among the fruiting flora than in base-rich grasslands and are replaced by *Rhodocybe popinalis*, *Entoloma prunuloides* and *E. radiatum* and *Lycoperdon foetidum* (puff ball). In areas of high activity of sea birds the fungal flora is very depauperate resembling in constituents the area adjacent to zoopolethismic grasslands on St Kilda.

## The Influence of Man in Sutherland

The more one examines evidence from Sutherland the more it becomes apparent that Fraser Darling and Morton Boyd in *Natural History of the Highlands and Islands* (1964) are wrong in their assertion that 'it is possible that such areas as West Sutherland and the North West corner of Ross-shire did not know man until two or three thousand years ago'. If we accept the evidence of Callander, Cree and Ritchie (1927) that the bone caves at Allt nan Uamh had human occupants prior to the final valley glaciation it is evident that man was in this area eight to ten thousand years ago. Bones of Arctic animals were found, split for the extraction of marrow, sawn antlers of reindeer, stones burned by a fire and charcoal. No traces of domestic animals were found and it appears that man's first excursion into Sutherland was as Neolithic man, the hunter.

With an improving climate there is evidence of domesticated animals in the Neolithic chambered cairn at Embo excavated in 1960 (Henshall, 1965) where the bones of pig, sheep and small ox were found. This invasion by Mediterranean man brought with it from the 'golden crescent' of Europe cultivated crops and a more permanent culture. Several factors influenced the settlement pattern in the area. Firstly, accessibility is important and even a cursory examination shows the settlement patterns of many ages to stem largely from the coast following the sheltered straths, with their glacial soils, or to be confined to areas with an adequately amenable geology, for example, sandstones and limestones, which are easily weathered.

Little is known of these stone age peoples who buried their dead in chambered cairns. Most cairns have been pillaged in the past and little evidence of the culture remains. Neolithic peoples were gradually replaced by 'Beaker People' who buried their dead in short 'cists' or stone coffins. These coffins contained a food vessel or beaker in which have been found early cultivars. Hut circles, the remains of dwellings, seem to be the home of such people and of later bronze age settlers. That changes in the vegetation of Sutherland occurred during this period is evident from pollen analysis of deep peats and the remains of plants and animals associated with chambered cairns. Both the stumps of pine found in peat and bones of capercallie associated with cairns indicate extensive coniferous forests. Removal of the forest is evident from charcoal remains of conifers, hazel and birch together with small amounts of grain suggesting a primitive cultivation of cleared ground.

Very little is known of the bronze age peoples and their effects upon



vegetation in Sutherland. It is known that these peoples who lived in an age of standing stones and circles did have at least one distinction, they cremated their dead and this at least suggests that they had some reverence for fire and that they used it extensively. Thus the process of removal of woodland may have continued in this period although there is little evidence to suggest that in Sutherland the bronze age culture was more extensive in its influence than previous cultures. It is also apparent that the tools of the early Neolithic peoples were quite effective in clearing woodland, as demonstrated in modern times in Denmark. There three men cleared 600 square yards of silver birch forest in 4 hours with an authentic axe head which had not been sharpened for four thousand years, demonstrating the potential influence of early man on forests.

Approximately 400 B.C. marks the beginning of the iron age. Lasting for some 500 years, this period includes the appearance of hill forts and the less explicit brochs. The latter, round double-walled towers up to 40 ft in height were places of refuge but there still remains much speculation about these structures. 67 brochs are listed for Sutherland but others, how many no one can guess, must have been destroyed with the passage of time. These people, the 'Caereni' of Ptolemy's map, were recognised by the Romans as a pastoral race and such observations are borne out by the presence of ox, sheep, goat and pig bones found associated with the remains of this civilisation. There is also evidence at this time of large herds of red deer. Iron used by these people required smelting and in turn required the destruction of forest, especially oak and birch. Heaps of slag indicating sites of early iron workings have been found in the immediate vicinity of two brochs at Shinness, Lairg.

Thus industry, albeit on a small scale, introduced a new factor in the destruction of forest. By this time the climate had changed to such an extent that the forests of Britain were in decline and in most parts of Sutherland removal of trees would be rapidly followed by the encroachment of moorland. Man was using a resource which would not replace itself. The scale of such impact is difficult to judge since, unlike other parts of Britain, the written history of Sutherland is particularly sparse until the seventeenth century. An inventory of ancient monuments (H.M.S.O., 1910) lists: a heap of iron slag 30 ft across and 4 ft in height near Achinduich, Lairg; heaps of slag at Kinbrace, Loch Shin; and iron slag, burnt wood plus charcoal  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. thick at Skelpick, Bettyhill. Timothy Pont's map of Strath Navernia (1633) has the legend 'Heir is yron oare' on the west of Strathnaver and at the south end of Ben Stumanadh. 'Loch Isyre or ye wrights loch' refers on this map to Loch Syre. Gordon (1812) in a work written in 1630 makes reference to the inhabitants of Sutherland who 'made' iron from iron ore. Sinclair, in the first Statistical Account (1793), states of Assynt that 'Iron mines were dug here of old . . . in different places in this parish'. He also suggests that this was before the Scandinavian invasions (c. A.D. 850). The hill above Kirkton Farm, Golspie, is



also referred to as the 'Iron Hill'. Thus from Assynt, to Strathnaver, to the east coast there is evidence of early iron workings and the destruction of forests.

Later wood was used in kilns in the production of limestone. In the west, particularly Assynt, there is documented evidence of tree felling for this purpose whereas further east where trees by this time were scarce peat was used in the kilns as at Strathy. Corn drying kilns are to be found in many of the pre-clearance villages and good examples are still to be found at Gruain Mor, Loch Naver and Rossal, Strathnaver. It is not clear whether peat or timber was used in those kilns but presumably where timber was available it was used. However, it can be assumed that over the past two thousand years timber of any size was becoming difficult to obtain. There is little evidence from peat profiles of pine in this period and roof timbers of 'bog oak' (pine) were highly sought after by the pre-clearance peoples in many parts of Sutherland. Apparently timbers lying in the peat could be recognised on frosty mornings by the differential frost patterns they formed.

So far emphasis has been put upon man's increasing activity in destroying woodland and the parallel deteriorating climate. But man's secondary effect is associated with his pastoral and agricultural activities. The latter were very much limited to the immediate surroundings of the village and can be seen in the excellent examples of lazy beds at Rossal and other pre-clearance villages. Grazing animals, especially sheep, goats and deer are known to suppress the regeneration of natural forest and any extension of their numbers by pastoral activities will cause a decrease in tree cover in the area. The first threat of destruction to forests was from Neolithic peoples who turned from hunting to domestication of grazing animals. There has been a general pattern of change throughout Europe which was undoubtedly followed in Sutherland. Closed forest with deer and swine gave rise to an open forest with fewer swine, and deer and cattle increase. This finally led to the virtual absence of trees and a predominance of sheep, goats and to a lesser extent, cattle.

While the grazing associated with pre-clearance villages was undoubtedly of some considerable extent it did include a variety of grazing animals, deer, cattle, 'kerry' sheep, goats and horses. Sinclair (1793) noted that in Rogart 'Some wretched vestiges of very considerable birchwoods are to be seen in different parts; but the shoots from such of the old stocks as have not decayed are annually cropped by cattle in the autumn and winter; and such shoots as may survive to a second summer are sure to be cut by the people to bind their cattle'. So the 'Caereni' or pre-clearance peoples for thousands of years would have had some adverse effects upon birch regeneration.

John Prebble in *The Highland Clearances* (1963) tells the fascinating story of the change in land management throughout Sutherland in early years of the eighteen hundreds and its disastrous sociological effects.

Whereas previously 'kerry' sheep and cattle were kept for a local market the introduction of the long faced voracious Cheviot sheep meant an export of mutton and wool to the south. Land which produced 2d. per acre under cattle now produced twelve times that amount under sheep. Over a period of 50 years the number of sheep in Sutherland built up to about 200,000 in 1857, remaining at approximately the same figure subsequently. Thus the effect of sheep over the past 100 years has been a predominant one.

That sheep farming has affected vegetation is clear from several points of view. These hardy sheep graze on the wet moorlands which cover a large part of Sutherland and in order to maintain new growth the areas are burnt. Fire reduces the possibility of natural tree regeneration. Where fire and sheep are absent as on islands in lochs (Cam Loch, Ledmore, Loch Beannach, Assynt, Loch Meadie and Loch Syre are good examples) rowan, birch and in some places oak and pine are present. This is also true of steep rock faces. In addition Pennie (1966) examined the age structure of birch woods in Strath Carnaig, which became part of the Torboll farm grazings in 1812. These birch woods are ageing, with no regeneration. The trees are no younger than 40 years and most are 80 to more than 110 years old. Grazing clearly causes a suppression of tree regeneration. He also quotes the effects of sheep fencing on the shores of Loch Choire where natural regeneration has occurred within the fenced areas.

Clearly man has influenced the vegetation of Sutherland both directly and indirectly over a period of perhaps 5000 years. Apart from the planting in the eighteenth century the present day plantings by the Forestry Commission are the first signs of man's attempts to replace some of the tree cover he has helped to remove.

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Gray, A.	<i>A.G.</i>	Stirling, A. McG.	<i>A.McG.S.</i>
Hall, P. M.	<i>P.M.H.</i>	Summerhayes, V. S.	<i>V.S.S.</i>
Hanbury, F. J.	<i>F.J.H.</i>	Syme, J.	<i>J.S.</i>
Harley, R. M.	<i>R.M.H.</i>	Talbot, J.	<i>J.T.</i>
Harrison, J. W. H.	<i>J.W.H.-H.</i>	Taylor, G.	<i>G.T.</i>
Harrison, H. H.	<i>H.H.-H.</i>	Tobbit, J.	<i>J.T.</i>
Hedge, I.	<i>I.H.</i>	Todd, W. A.	<i>W.A.T.</i>
Hood, J.	<i>J.H.</i>	Tyacken, A.	<i>A.T.</i>
Hope, J.	<i>J.H.</i>	Wallace, E. C.	<i>E.C.W.</i>
Horn, G.	<i>G.H.</i>	Warburg, E. F.	<i>E.F.W.</i>
Johnston, G.	<i>G.J.</i>	Watson, H. C.	<i>H.C.W.</i>
Kenneth, A. G.	<i>A.G.K.</i>	Webster, M. McC.	<i>M.McC.W.</i>
Lancaster, C. R.	<i>C.R.L.</i>	West, C.	<i>C.W.</i>
Large, K. D.	<i>K.D.L.</i>	Wickens, G. E.	<i>G.E.W.</i>
Ley, A.	<i>A.L.</i>	Williamson, R. H.	<i>R.H.W.</i>
Linton, E. F.	<i>E.F.L.</i>	Wilmott, A. J.	<i>A.J.W.</i>
Linton, W. R.	<i>W.R.L.</i>	Young, D. P.	<i>D.P.Y.</i>
Lousley, J. E.	<i>J.E.L.</i>		

## County Flora

The sequence of genera and the nomenclature of the species are as in the List of British Vascular Plants (Dandy, 1958). The species name is followed by the vice-county number or numbers in which the species has been recorded. The common name follows that in the most recent publication on the subject *English Names of Wild Flowers* (Dony, Perring and Rob, 1974) a B.S.B.I. publication. Where an English common name is not common to Scotland the appropriate Scottish common name is given together with that recommended by the B.S.B.I. An obvious example is that of Harebell and Bluebell. All common names are to be found in *Flora of the British Isles* (Clapham, Tutin and Warburg, 1962). The next line gives the general habitat and the frequency of occurrence which is stated under:

FREQUENCY	No. of 10 km squares in which species is recorded
Very rare	1-2
Rare	3-5
Occasional	6-12
Frequent	13-40
Common	41-64
Common, widespread	65 and over

The distribution is indicated by mentioning the name of every district in which the species has been observed. The districts in the upper line are those in v.c. 107, those in the lower line of v.c. 108. As an example, when a species has been recorded from every district, its distribution is indicated thus:

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

When a species has not so far been recorded from a district, the name of that district is replaced by an —, thus:

— — — DORNOCH — — — KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT — — — TONGUE —

No further details of distribution are given except in the case of species of restricted distribution. For these the localities in which they have been



observed are indicated along with the date and collector's name. In such genera as *Hieracium* and *Rubus* where there are a large number of species, each with a very limited distribution, only those districts with localities where that particular species has been recorded are mentioned, thus:

**Hieracium anglicum** Fries (107, 108)

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

*Assynt* (*Knockan, Inchnadamph*)

Casual and introduced species of limited distribution are treated likewise.

**PTERIDOPHYTA**  
**LYCOPODIACEAE**  
 Lycopodium L.

**L. selago** L. (107, 108) Fir Clubmoss

On moors, heaths and rocky places on hills. Common in the north and west. Descends to sea level on the north coast.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**L. inundatum** L. (108) Marsh Clubmoss

In a bog. Very rare.

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 ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_

*Assynt (Canisp, 1903, G.C.D.) No recent record*

**L. annotinum** L. (107) Interrupted Clubmoss

Stony places on hills. Very rare.

CREICH LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Creich (Oykell Bridge, 1833, W.A.S.)*

*Lairg (Ben Hee, 1960, I.H.)*

**L. clavatum** L. (107, 108) Stag's-horn or Common Clubmoss

On moors and heaths. Frequent.

\_\_\_\_ LAIRG ROGART \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNES TONGUE \_\_\_\_\_

**L. alpinum** L. (107, 108) Alpine Clubmoss

On mountain moorlands. Frequent, mainly on western hills.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART \_\_\_\_\_ LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**SELAGINELLACEAE**

Selaginella Beauv.

**S. selaginoides** (L.) Link. (107, 108) Lesser Clubmoss

Damp mossy slopes and rock-ledges. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**ISOETACEAE**

Isoetes L.

**I. lacustris** L. (107, 108) Common Quillwort

In lochans. Occasional.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN

ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ FARR

*Creich (Invershin)*

*Assynt (Stoer, Inchnadamph, Drumbeg)*

*Farr (Syre)*

**I. echinospora** Durieu (108) Spring Quillwort

In lochans. Rare.

ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE FARR

*Assynt (Stoer, Ullapool)*

*Tongue (Talmine, Modsarie)*

*Farr (Syre)*

## EQUISETACEAE

Equisetum L.

**E. hyemale** L. (107, 108) Rough Horsetail or Dutch Rush

Wet places on hills. Very rare.

ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN

*Kildonan (Loch na Clar, 1964, A.A.S.)*

*Assynt (Achmore, 1886, A.G.)*

*Durness (Ben Hope, 1958, at 1300 ft, R.E.C.F.)*

**E. variegatum** Schleich ex Weber & Mohr (107, 108) Variegated Horsetail

Wet banks on hills. Very rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_

ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich (Ben More Assynt, 1969, U.K.D.)*

*Assynt (Inchnadamph, 1909, E.S.M.; Lochinver, 1944, A.J.W.)*

**E. fluviatile** L. (107, 108) Water Horsetail

In lochs, ponds and ditches. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. palustre** L. (107, 108) Marsh Horsetail

In marshes and bogs. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. sylvaticum** L. (107, 108) Wood Horsetail

Wet woodlands, banks and sandy places. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**E. pratense** Ehrh. (107, 108) Shady Horsetail

On grassy banks. Rare.

— LAIRG ROGART — — CLYNE — —  
ASSYNT — DURNES — —

*Lairg* (*Lairg*, 1857, W.)

*Rogart* (*Tressady*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Clyne* (*Brora*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Assynt* (*Drumbeg*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1970, R.W.M.C.)

**E. arvense** L. (107, 108) Field Horsetail

Waste places, fields, roadsides and dunes. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**E. × litorale** Kühlew ex Rupr. (107)

*Clyne* (*Brora*, M.McC.W., 1957)

**E. telmateia** Ehrh. (107, 108) Great Horsetail

Muddy banks of streams. Rare.

— — ROGART — — CLYNE — —  
— — — TONGUE — —

*Rogart* (*Tressady*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Clyne* (*Brora*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Tongue* (*Borgie*, 1959, B. & T.)

## OSMUNDACEAE

*Osmunda* L.

**O. regalis** L. (107, 108) Royal Fern

Boggy places in the north and west. Occasional.

— LAIRG — — — — — — —  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE — —

*Lairg* (*Loch na-Caillach*, 1870, F.S.F.)

## HYMENOPHYLLACEAE

*Hymenophyllum* Sm.

**H. wilsonii** Hook. (107, 108) Wilson's Filmy-fern

Wet rocks and woods in the west. Occasional.

CREICH — — — — — — —  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR





ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

*Golspie (Strathstevan, 1888, J.G., 1897, E.S.M.)*

**A. trichomanes** L. (107, 108) Maidenhair Spleenwort

Rock-crevices and walls. Frequent in the west, scarce in the east.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. viride** Huds. (107, 108) Green Spleenwort

On wet basic rocks. Occasional.

CREICH

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. ruta-muraria** L. (107, 108) Wall-rue

Walls and basic rocks. Occasional in the north and west, rare in east.

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DORNOC GOLSPIE FARR

## ATHYRIACEAE

Athyrium Roth

**A. filix-femina** (L.) Roth (107, 108) Lady Fern

Shady woods and banks. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. alpestre** (Hoppe) Rylands (107, 108) Alpine Lady Fern

Mountain screes. Rare.

CREICH

FARR

*Creich (Ben More Assynt, 1891, E.S.M. & F.J.H.)*

*Farr (Ben Klibreck, 1887, E.S.M.)*

### Cystopteris Bernh.

**C. fragilis** (L.) Bernh. (107, 108) Brittle Bladder-fern

Basic rocks and walls. Frequent.

CREICH DORNOCH GOLSPIE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## ASPIDIACEAE

Dryopteris Adans.

**D. filix-mas** (L.) Schott (107, 108) Male Fern

Woods and shady places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**D. borrieri** Newm. (107, 108) Scaly or Golden-scaled Male Fern  
Damp shady places in woods and amongst rocks. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**D. abbreviata** (DC) Newm. (107, 108) Small Male Fern  
Rocky places on hills. Rare.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— ——— FARR

**D. lanceolatocristata** (Hoffm.) Alston (108) Narrow Buckler-fern  
Moist woodlands. Occasional.

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ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**D. dilatata** (Hoffm.) A. Gray (107, 108) Broad Buckler-fern  
Shady places in woods and heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**D. aemula** (Ait.) Kuntze (108) Hay-scented Buckler-fern  
On rocks in Birchwoods. Very rare.

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————— EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS ——— ———

*Eddrachillis* (Loch Stack, 1963, D.A.R.)

*Durness* (Loch Eriboll, 1965, D.McC.)

**D. assimilis** S. Walker (107, 108)

On cliffs. Very rare.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS ——— ———

*Creich* (Ben More Assynt, 1890, F.J.H., 1891, E.S.M.)

*Assynt* (Achmelvich, 1955, J.A.)

*Eddrachillis* (Ben Stack, 1967, A.G.K.)

*Durness* (Ben Hope, 1966, A.G.K.: Foinaven, 1967, A.G.K.: Carnstackie,  
1967, A.G.K.: Loch Eriboll, 1967, D.McC.)

### Polystichum Roth

**P. aculeatum** (L.) Roth (107, 108) Hard Shield-fern

Shady places amongst rocks and in woods. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	—	FARR		

**P. lonchitis** (L.) Roth (107, 108) Holly Fern  
 Crevices in basic rocks. Occasional on limestone rocks.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

## THELYPTERIDACEAE

*Thelypteris* Schmidel

**T. oreopteris** (Ehrh.) Slosson (107, 108) Lemon-scented or Mountain Fern  
 Moist places on heaths, banks and mountains. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. phegopteris** (L.) Slosson (107, 108) Beech Fern  
 Moist rocks and in woods. Frequent in north and west, rare in east.

CREICH	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. dryopteris** (L.) Slosson (107, 108) Oak Fern  
 Scree and rocks on hills and woods. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	—	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. robertiana** (Hoffm.) Slosson (108) Limestone Fern  
 Limestone screes. Rare.

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ASSYNT	—		—	—	—		

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

## POLYPODIACEAE

*Polypodium* L.

**P. vulgare** L. (107, 108) Polypody  
 Woods, banks and walls. Common, widespread.

sub sp. **vulgare**

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

sub sp. **prionodes** Rothm.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		



## MARSILEACEAE

Pilularia L.

**P. globulifera** L. (107) Pillwort

*Creich (Invershin, 1834, R.G., Plentiful, 1840, W.H.C., Shin Bridge, 1893, A.B.)*

Now extinct.

## OPHIOGLOSSACEAE

Botrychium Sw.

**B. lunaria** (L.) Sw. (107, 108) Moonwort

Pastures, dunes and moors. Frequent.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Ophioglossum** L.

**O. vulgatum** L. (108) Adder's-tongue

Grassy places. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	_____	_____			

## SPERMATOPHYTA

GYMNOSPERMAE

PINACEAE

Pinus L.

**P. sylvestris** L. (107, 108) Scots Pine

Widely planted throughout the county.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## CUPRESSACEAE

Juniperus L.

**J. communis** L. (107, 108) Juniper

On heaths, dunes, moors, sea-cliffs, mountain rocks and woods.

Common. Very variable from gnarled prostrate plants to shrubs 4 ft high.

Includes

sub sp. **communis**, sub sp. **nana** and intermediate forms.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**ANGIOSPERMAE**  
**DICOTYLEDONES**  
**RANUNCULACEAE**  
*Caltha* L.

**C. palustris** L. (107, 108) Marsh Marigold  
 Marshes, ditches and banks of streams. Ascends to 2500 ft on Ben More.  
 Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESSE TONGUE FARR

sub sp. **palustris**. The Commoner form.

sub sp. **minor** (Mill.) Clapham. Frequent in the north and on hills.

**Trollius** L.

**T. europaeus** L. (107, 108) Globe-flower  
 In damp pastures, fields and mountains. Common at sea-level in the  
 north and west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART ——— ——— CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESSE TONGUE FARR

**Anemone** L.

**A. nemorosa** L. (107, 108) Wood Anemone  
 Woodlands. Frequent in the south-east, local elsewhere.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— TONGUE FARR

**Ranunculus** L.

**R. acris** L. (107, 108) Meadow Buttercup  
 Meadows, fields and roadsides. Common, widespread. Ascends to 2500 ft.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— TONGUE FARR

**R. repens** L. (107, 108) Creeping Buttercup  
 Fields and waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESSE TONGUE FARR

**R. bulbosus** L. (107, 108) Bulbous Buttercup  
 Dry grassland and dunes. Occasional in sandy coastal areas in the  
 east and north.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**R. auricomus** L. (107) Goldilocks Buttercup  
Woodlands. Very rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	CLYNE	_____	_____
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*Creich (Shin Falls, 1960, J.A.)*

*Clyne (Loch Brora, 1957, M.McC.W.)*

**R. flammula** L. (107, 108) Lesser Spearwort  
Marshes, ditches and lochans. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**R. sceleratus** L. (107) Celery-leaved Buttercup  
Muddy bank of stream. Very rare.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Dornoch (Dornoch, 1955, J.A.)*

**R. hederaceus** L. (107, 108) Ivy-leaved Crowfoot  
Muddy banks of ditches, ponds. Frequent.

_____	_____	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	_____	_____	FARR		

**R. trichophyllus** Chaix (108) Thread-leaved Water-crowfoot  
sub sp. **drouetii** (Godr) Clapham  
Lochans. Rare.

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ASSYNT	_____		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**R. aquatilis** L. (108) Common Water-crowfoot  
Lochans. Rare.

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_____	_____		DURNESS	_____	FARR		

*Durness (Durness)*

*Farr (Melvich)*

**R. ficaria** L. (107, 108) Lesser Celandine  
sub sp. **ficaria**

Woods and shady banks. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		



(J. B. Kenworthy)





## Thalictrum L.

### **T. alpinum** L. (107, 108) Alpine Meadow-rue

Rocky slopes on hills. Frequent on western hills. At sea-level on north coast.

CREICHA LAIRG ROGART ——— ——— ——— ——— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### **T. minus** L. (107, 108) Lesser Meadow-rue

On coastal dunes and limestone rocks. Frequent.

———— ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

sub sp. **montanum** Wallr. On limestone rocks.

*Durness* (*Durness*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, 1950, *J.A.*)

*Tongue* (*Melness*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

sub sp. **arenarium** (Butcher) Clapham. On coastal dunes.

## BERBERIDACEAE

*Berberis* L.

### **B. vulgaris** L. (108) Barberry

Woods. Introduced.

*Tongue* (*Tongue*).

## NYMPHAEACEAE

*Nymphaea* L.

### **N. alba** L. (107, 108) White Water-lily

In lochs and lochans. Frequent in the north and west, local in east.

CREICHA LAIRG ROGART ——— GOLSPIE CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

## Nuphar Sm.

### **N. pumila** (Timm) DC. (107) Least Water-lily

In a lochan. Very rare.

*Rogart* (*Little Rogart*, 1960, *M.McC.W.* *Only locality*)

## PAPAVERACEAE

*Papaver* L.

### **P. rhoeas** L. (108) Common or Field Poppy

On railway track. Casual. Very rare.

*Farr* (*Forsinard*)

**P. dubium** L. (107, 108) Long-headed Poppy

Roadsides and fields. Occasional in the east, rare in north.

—	—	—		DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS			DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**P. somniferum** L. (107) Opium Poppy

Garden Escape.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—							

*Creich (Bonar Bridge)*

*Kildonan (Kildonan)*

**Meconopsis** Vig.

**M. cambrica** (L.) Vig. (107, 108) Welsh Poppy

Introduced.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
ASSYNT	—							

*Creich (Invershin)*

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

**Chelidonium** L.

**C. majus** L. (107) Greater Celandine

Introduced.

*Kildonan (Kildonan)*

**FUMARIACEAE**

*Corydalis* Medic.

**C. claviculata** (L.) DC. (107, 108) Climbing Corydalis or White

Climbing Fumitory

Amongst rocks in woods and scrub. Occasional.

—	—	—	—		GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—			DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

*Golspie (Morvich)*

*Clyne (Gordonbush, Strath Brora)*

*Kildonan (Helmsdale)*

*Assynt (Elphin, Beannach)*

*Tongue (Rhi-Tongue)*

*Farr (Grumore)*

**Fumaria** L.

**F. capreolata** L. (108) White Ramping Fumitory

Fields. Very rare.

EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS

*Eddrachillis (Kinlochbervie)*

*Durness (Eriboll)*

**F. bastardii** Bor. (107, 108) Tall Ramping Fumitory

In cultivated fields. Very rare.

GOLSPIE

ASSYNT

*Golspie (Golspie)*

*Assynt (Achmelvich)*

**F. muralis** Sond. ex Koch (108) Common Ramping Fumitory

sub sp. **boraci** (Jord.) Pugsl. Fields. Rare

TONGUE FARR

*Tongue (Tongue)*

*Farr (Bettyhill)*

**F. officinalis** L. (107, 108) Common Fumitory

Fields and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

## CRUCIFERAE

Brassica L.

**B. napus** L. (107, 108) Rape

Fields. Introduced. Frequent in east, rare in west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT FARR

**B. rapa** L. (108) Wild Turnip

Fields. Introduced.

*Assynt (Lochinver)*

**Sinapis** L.

**S. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Charlock

Fields. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**S. alba** L. (107, 108) White Mustard



Fields. Introduced. Rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE FARR

*Creich (Invershin)*

*Golspie (Golspie)*

*Tongue (Tongue)*

*Farr (Bettyhill)*

### **Diplotaxis DC.**

**D. muralis (L.) DC. (108) Annual Wall-rocket**

Casual. Very rare.

*Assynt (Lochinver)*

### **Raphanus L.**

**R. raphanistrum L. var. aureum Wilmott (107, 108) Wild Radish**

Cultivated fields. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **Crambe L.**

**C. maritima L. (107) Sea Kale**

On foreshore at Dunrobin Gardens. Recorded in 1903 by G. C. Druce with the note that it may be a domestic cabbage which was established on the beach.

### **Cakile Mill.**

**C. maritima Scop. (107, 108) Sea Rocket**

On sandy seashore. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **Lepidium L.**

**L. heterophyllum Benth (*L. smithii* Hook) (107) Smith's Pepperwort or Smith's Cress**

Roadsides and fields. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ LAIRG ROGART \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
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**L. latifolium L. (107) Dittander**

Introduced. Recorded 1833 by H. C. Watson without locality.

## Thlaspi L.

### **T. arvense** L. (107) Field Penny-cress

Roadsides, waste places and fields on east coast. Rare.

— — — — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
— — — — — — — — — —

## Teesdalia R. Br.

### **T. nudicaulis** (L.) R. Br. Shepherd's Cress

In sandy places. Very rare.

— — — — — ROGART DORNOCH — — — — —  
— — — — — — — — — —

*Rogart* (*Tressady*, 1951, *M.McC.W.*)

*Dornoch* (*Cuthill Sands*, 1960, *J.A.*)

## Capsella Medic.

### **C. bursa-pastoris** (L.) Medic. (107, 108) Shepherd's-purse

Waste places, roadsides and fields. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Cochlearia L.

### **C. officinalis** L. (107, 108) Common Scurvy-grass

Sea-cliffs, shingle shores and salt-marshes. Frequent.

CREICH — — — — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **C. alpina** (Bab.) H. C. Wats. (107, 108) Alpine Scurvy-grass

Rock-ledges on mountains, rare.

CREICH — — — — — — — — — —  
— — — — — DURNES TONGUE — — — — —

*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*)

### **C. scotica** Druce (108) Scottish Scurvy-grass

Coastal rocks and shingle. Rare. On north and west coasts.

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ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **C. danica** L. (108) Danish Scurvy-grass

On sandy sea-shores. Rare.

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\_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS TONGUE FARR

*Tongue (Kyle of Tongue)*

*Farr (Invernaver)*

### Subularia L.

**S. aquatica** L. (107, 108) Awlwort

Sandy margins of lochans. Occasional. Rare in the east.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS

DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

*Dornoch (Loch Buidhe)*

### Lunaria L.

**L. annua** L. (107) Honesty

Garden escape.

*Clyne (Brora, 1949, W.A.T.)*

### Draba L.

**D. norvegica** Gunn. (107, 108) Rock Whitlow-grass

Rock-ledges on mountains. Very rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich (Ben More, 1888, A.G.: 1959, D.A.R.)*

*Durness (Ben Hope, 1833, J.M.; Meall Horn, 1959, D.A.R.)*

**D. incana** L. (107, 108) Hoary Whitlow-grass

Sandy turf by the sea and rock-ledges on mountains. Frequent.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_

DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN

ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_

DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### Erophila DC.

**E. verna** (L.) Chevall. (107, 108) Common or Spring Whitlow-grass

On dry banks, grassland and walls. Frequent in east, rare and near sea in north and west.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_

DORNOCH GOLSPIE

CLYNE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS

DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### Cardamine L.

**C. pratensis** L. (107, 108) Cuckooflower or Lady's Smock

In damp pastures. Common, widespread.





CREICH	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	—	CLYNE	—	—
—	—		DURNESSE	TONGUE	FARR		

**R. microphylla** (Boenn.) Hyland (107, 108) One-rowed Water-cress  
In ditches. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
—	—		DURNESSE	TONGUE	FARR		

### Hesperis L.

**H. matronalis** L. (107, 108) Dame's Violet  
Shady damp places. Garden escape. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	—	—		

### Alliaria Scop.

**A. petiolata** (Bieb.) Cavara et Grande (107) Garlic Mustard or  
Jack-by-the-Hedge  
Roadsides. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—		—	—	—		

### Sisymbrium L.

**S. officinale** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Hedge Mustard  
Waste places. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	—	FARR		

**S. altissimum** L. (108) Tall Rocket  
Waste places. Casual. Very rare.  
*Assynt (Lochinver, 1944, A.J.W.)*

### Arabidopsis (DC.) Heynh.

**A. thaliana** (L.) Heynh. (107, 108) Thale Cress  
Roadsides, waste places. Frequent in the east, very rare in west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	—	FARR		

### Descurainia Webb & Berth

**D. sophia** (L.) Webb ex Prantl. (107) Flixweed  
Waste places. Very rare.

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch*, 1952, *J.A.*; *Poles*, 1960, *J.A.*)  
*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1898, *E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

### RESEDACEAE

Reseda L.

**R. luteola** L. (107) Weld or Dyer's Rocket

On the railway bank. Casual.

*Creich* (*Invershin*, 1888, *W.C.*)

### VIOLACEAE

Viola L.

**V. riviniana** Reichb. (107, 108) Common Dog-violet

On banks, heaths and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. canina** L. (107, 108) Heath Dog-violet

On dunes, heaths and dry banks. Frequent in coastal areas in the north and west.

	LAIRG						
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. lutea** Huds. (108) Mountain Pansy

On mountain grassland. Very rare.

ASSYNT			TONGUE				

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1886, *A.G.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1888, *W.C.*)

**V. tricolor** L. (107, 108) Wild Pansy

sub sp. **tricolor**. Cultivated ground and waste places. Frequent.

sub sp. **curtisii** (Forst.) Syme. On dunes.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. arvensis** Murr. (107, 108) Field Pansy

Cultivated fields. Occasional in east, rare in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT			TONGUE	FARR			

## POLYGALACEAE

### Polygala L.

**P. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Common Milkwort

Dry, basic grassland and rocks. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**P. serpyllifolia** Hose (107, 108) Heath Milkwort

Heaths and pastures. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## GUTTIFERAE

### Hypericum L.

**H. androsaemum** L. (108) Tutsan

Introduced. Very rare.

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1944, *A.J.W.*)

**H. perforatum** L. (107) Perforate or Common St John's-wort

On banks. Very rare.

*Kildonan* (*Kinbrace*, 1882, *J.G.*)

**H. maculatum** Crantz (107) Imperforate St John's-wort

sub sp. *obtusiusculum* (Tourlet) Hayek

On banks. Introduced.

*Lairg* (*Lairg*)

**H. tetrapterum** Fr. (107) Square-stalked St John's-wort

Moist banks. Rare.

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**H. pulchrum** L. (107, 108) Slender St John's Wort

Grassy places and heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## CISTACEAE

### Helianthemum Mill.

**H. chamaecistus** Mill. (107) Common Rockrose

On banks and rocks. Rare.

—      —      ROGART   DORNOCH   GOLSPIE   CLYNE : —      —  
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## CARYOPHYLLACEAE

Silene L.

**S. vulgaris** (Moench) Garcke (107, 108) Bladder Campion  
 Cultivated ground. Rare.

—      —      —      —      GOLSPIE : —      —      —  
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**S. maritima** With. (107, 108) Sea Campion  
 Shingle shores and cliffs. Frequent on north and west coast; local in east.

—      —      —      —      DORNOCH   GOLSPIE   —      —      —      KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT   EDDRACHILLIS   DURNES   TONGUE   FARR

**S. acaulis** (L.) Jacq. (107, 108) Moss Campion  
 Rock-ledges and cliffs on hills, on sea-cliffs, on west and north coasts.  
 Frequent.

CREICH   —      —      —      —      —      —      —      KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT   EDDRACHILLIS   DURNES   TONGUE   FARR

**S. dioica** (L.) Clairv. (107, 108) Red Campion  
 Sea-cliffs, banks and woodland. Common.

CREICH   LAIRG   ROGART   DORNOCH   GOLSPIE   CLYNE   LOTH   KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT   EDDRACHILLIS   DURNES   TONGUE   FARR

**S. alba** (Mill.) E. H. L. Krause (107, 108) White Campion  
 Fields, roadsides. Occasional.

—      LAIRG   —      DORNOCH   GOLSPIE   —      —      KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT   —      —      DURNES   TONGUE   FARR

**Lychnis** L.

**L. flos-cuculi** L. (107, 108) Ragged Robin  
 Marshes, common.

CREICH   LAIRG   ROGART   DORNOCH   GOLSPIE   —      LOTH   KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT   EDDRACHILLIS   DURNES   TONGUE   FARR

**Cerastium** L.

**C. arvense** L. (107, 108) Field Mouse-ear  
 Sandy places. Occasional.

—      —      ROGART   —      —      —      —      KILDONAN  
 —      —      —      DURNES   TONGUE   FARR



**C. tomentosum** L. (107) Snow-in-summer

Garden escape.

*Kildonan (Kildonan)*

**C. alpinum** L. (107, 108) Alpine Mouse-ear

Scree and ledges on mountains. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
	_____		DURNESS TONGUE	_____				

*Creich (Ben More, Rosehall)*

*Kildonan (Ben Griam Mor and Beg)*

*Durness (Foinhaven, Ben Hope)*

*Tongue (Ben Loyal)*

**C. arcticum** Lange (107) Arctic Mouse-ear

Rocks on mountains. Very rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Creich (Conival, 1908, E.S.M. & F.J.H., 1959, D.A.R.)*

**C. holosteoides** Fr. Common Mouse-ear

**C. fontanum** Baumg.

sub sp. *trivale* (Murb.) Jalas (107, 108)

Grassy places and waste ground. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

sub sp. *scoticum* Jalas & P. D. Sell (108)

*Farr (Strathy)*

**C. glomeratum** Thuill. (107, 108) Sticky Mouse-ear

Roadsides and cultivated land. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**C. atrovirens** Bab. (107, 108) Sea Mouse-ear or Dark-green Mouse-ear

Sandy places near the sea. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**C. semidecandrum** L. (107, 108) Little Mouse-ear

Dry sandy places near the sea. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	_____		DURNESS	TONGUE	_____		

## Stellaria L.

**S. media** (L.) Vill. (107, 108) Common Chickweed

Cultivated ground and waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNES	TONGUE	FARR			

**S. pallida** (Dumort.) Piré (107) Lesser Chickweed

Sandy ground by the sea. Rare.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
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*Golspie* (*Loch Fleet*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, 1960, *J.A.*)

**S. neglecta** Weihe (108) Greater Chickweed

Shady places. Rare.

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ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	FARR	_____	_____

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, 1889, *F.J.H.*, 1960, *J.A.*)

**S. holostea** L. (107, 108) Greater Stitchwort

Woodlands and scrub. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____	_____	DURNES	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____

**S. graminea** L. (107, 108) Lesser Stitchwort

Grassy heaths and woodlands. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____	_____	DURNES	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____

**S. alsine** Grimm (107, 108) Bog Stitchwort

Ditches, marshes, woodlands. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNES	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____	_____

## Sagina L.

**S. apetala** Ard. (107, 108) Annual Pearlwort

Bare places. Rare.

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_____	_____	_____	_____	TONGUE	_____	_____	_____

*Clyne* (*Balnacoil*, 1957, *M.McC.W.*)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*, 1957, *M.McC.W.*)

**S. ciliata** Fr. (107) Fringed Pearlwort

Bare ground. Very occasional.

—— LAIRG —— DORNOCH —— CLYNE —— KILDONAN  
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**S. maritima** Don (107, 108) Sea Pearlwort  
Sea-cliffs and salt marshes. Very occasional.

—— —— —— DORNOCH GOLSPIE —— —— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT —— DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. procumbens** L. (107, 108) Procumbent Pearlwort  
Waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. saginoides** (L.) Karst. (107, 108) Alpine Pearlwort  
Cliff-ledges on mountains, sea-cliffs, bare gravelly places. From sea-level to 2900 ft. Rare.

*Creich* (Ben More, 1960, D.A.R.)

*Assynt* (Stoer, 1959, J.A.)

*Edrachillis* (Eylestrom, 1964, J.A.)

*Tongue* (Ben Loyal, 1888, W.C.)

*Farr* (Farr Bay, Swordly, Kirtomy, Strathnaver, Skelpick, 1960, J.A.)

**S. subulata** (Sw.) Presl. (107, 108) Heath or Awl-leaved Pearlwort  
Dry sandy and gravelly places. At 2000 ft at Ben Hope. Frequent in the north and west.

—— —— ROGART —— —— —— —— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. nodosa** (L.) Fenzl (107, 108) Knotted Pearlwort  
On wet sand and dunes by the sea. Occasional.

—— —— —— DORNOCH GOLSPIE —— LOTH ——  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **Minuartia** L.

**M. rubella** (Wahlenb.) Hiern (108) Mountain or Alpine Sandwort  
Mountain cliffs. Very rare. Not seen for many years.

*Durness* (Ben Hope, 1833, R.G.)

### **Cherleria** L.

**C. sedoides** L. (107, 108) Cyphel

On mountain screes to 2900 ft. Frequent on mountains in the north and west. On Ben Griam in the east.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Honkenya Ehrh.**

**H. peploides** (L.) Ehrh. (107, 108) Sea Sandwort  
 On coastal sand and shingle. Frequent.

————— ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Moehringia L.**

**M. trinervia** (L.) Clairv. (107) Three-nerved Sandwort  
 In woodlands. Rare.

————— ——— ROGART DORNOCH ——— ——— ——— ———  
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*Rogart* (*Rogart*)

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

**Arenaria L.**

**A. serpyllifolia** L. (107, 108) Thyme-leaved Sandwort  
 On bare ground, dunes and fields. Occasional.

sub sp. **serpyllifolia**

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

sub sp. **leptoclados** (Reichb.) Nyman. Slender Sandwort

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 ——— ——— ——— DURNES TONGUE ———

**A. norvegica** Gunn. sub sp. **norvegica** (108) Arctic or Norwegian  
 Sandwort

Rocks on hills and river shingle. Very rare.

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 ASSYNT ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*)

**Spargula L.**

**S. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Corn Spurrey  
 Cultivated fields. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR



## Spargularia (Pers) J. & C. Presl

**S. rubra** (L.) J. & C. Presl (107, 108) Sand Spurrey  
Bare sandy and gravelly places. Occasional.

— LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE — — KILDONAN  
— EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. media** (L.) C. Presl (107, 108) Greater Sea-spurrey  
Muddy places in salt-marshes. Very occasional.

— — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE — — —  
ASSYNT — — — TONGUE FARR

**S. marina** (L.) Griseb. (107, 108) Lesser Sea-spurrey  
In salt-marshes. Rare.

— — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE — — —  
ASSYNT — — — TONGUE FARR

## ILLECEBRACEAE

Scleranthus L.

**S. annuus** L. (107) Annual Knawel

Sandy waste ground. Old record.

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1888, J.G.)

## PORTULACACEAE

Montia L.

**M. fontana** L. sub sp. *lamprosperma* Cham. (107, 108) Blinks

In wet places, springs, ditches. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**M. perfoliata** (Willd.) Howell (107) Spring Beauty or Perfoliate Purslane

Cultivated ground. Rare.

— — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE — — —  
— — — — — — —

**M. sibirica** (L.) Howell (107, 108) Pink Purslane

By streams and on damp ground. Introduced. Occasional.

— LAIRG — — — GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT — — — — — FARR

## CHENOPODIACEAE

Chenopodium L.

**C. bonus-henicus** L. (107) Good King Henry

*Golspie* (*Golspie Tower*, 1888, J.G.) *Old Record*.

**C. album** L. (107, 108) Fat Hen

In cultivated ground and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**C. rubrum** L. (108) Red Goosefoot

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1886, A.G.) Old Record.*

**Atriplex** L.

**A. littoralis** L. (107) Grass-leaved Orache or Shore Orache

Sea-shore. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Dornoch (Ferrytown, 1960, J.A.)*

**A. patula** L. (107, 108) Common Orache

Cultivated fields and waste places. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_\_ LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. hastata** L. (107, 108) Hastate Orache or Spear-leaved Orache.

Waste places. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. glabriuscula** Edmondst. (107, 108) Babington's Orache

On sandy and shingly shores. Occasional on all coasts.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**A. laciniata** L. (107) Frosted Orache

On sandy sea-shores. Rare

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ FARR

*Farr (Farr, Bettyhill, 1833, H.C.W.)*

**Suaeda** Forsk. ex Scop.

**S. maritima** (L.) Dumort. (107) Annual Seablite

On salt-marshes. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Dornoch (Ferrytown, Dornoch, Skelbo)*

*Golspie (Loch Fleet)*

## Salsola L.

**S. kali** L. (107, 108) Prickly Saltwort

On sandy shores. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
—	—	EDDRACHILLIS	—	TONGUE	FARR		

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Loch Laxford, Sandwood*)

*Tongue* (*Melness*)

*Farr* (*Melvich*)

## Salicornia L.

**S. europaea** L. (107, 108) Glasswort

Muddy salt-marshes. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
—	—		—	TONGUE	—		

*Dornoch* (*Ferrytown, Dornoch, Skelbo, Cambusmore*)

*Golspie* (*Loch Fleet*)

*Tongue* (*Kyle of Tongue*)

## TILIACEAE

*Tilia* L.

**T. × europaea** L. (107, 108) Common Lime

Introduced. Widely planted in the south-east, sparse in north-west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	TONGUE	FARR		

## MALVACEAE

*Malva* L.

**M. moschata** L. (107, 108) Musk Mallow

Grassy banks. Garden escape. Occasional.

—	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—		—	TONGUE	—		

**M. sylvestris** L. (107) Common Mallow

Waste places. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
—	—		—	—	—		

**M. neglecta** Wallr. (107) Dwarf Mallow

Waste places. Rare.

*Golspie (Golspie)*  
*Kildonan (Helmsdale)*

**LINACEAE**

Linum L.

**L. catharticum** L. (107, 108) Fairy Flax or Purging Flax  
 Heaths, moors, pastures, dunes. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**Radiola Hill**

**R. linoides** Roth (107, 108) All-seed  
 On bare sandy soil. Rare and local.

GOLSPIE  
 TONGUE

*Golspie (Golspie, 1957, M. McC.W.)*  
*Tongue (Eilean Iosal, 1886, A.G., Eilean nan Ron, 1929, J.T.,*  
*Achininver & Coldbackie, 1960, J.A.)*

**GERANIACEAE**

Geranium L.

**G. pratense** L. (107) Meadow Cranesbill  
 Introduced. Rare.

GOLSPIE KILDONAN

**G. endressii** Gay (107) French Cranesbill  
 On roadsides. Introduced.

CREICH DORNOCH KILDONAN

**G. dissectum** L. (107, 108) Cut-leaved Cranesbill  
 Grassy and waste places. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS FARR

**G. molle** L. (107, 108) Dove's-foot Cranesbill  
 Dunes, fields, roadsides, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR





## AQUIFOLIACEAE

*Ilex* L.

### **I. aquifolium** L. (107, 108) Holly

Amongst rocks on hills. Occasional in north and west. Introduced in south and east.

CREICH	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## LEGUMINOSAE

*Ulex* L.

### **U. europaeus** L. (107, 108) Gorse

Roadsides, old woodlands, heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### **U. gallii** Planch. (107, 108) Western Gorse or Dwarf Furze

On heaths. Very rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	—	—	

*Kildonan* (*Kinbrace*, 1962, *M.McC.W.*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1944, *A.J.W. & M.S.C.*)

**Sarothamnus** Wimm.

### **S. scoparius** (L.) Wimmer ex Koch (107, 108) Broom

Amongst scrub and on heaths. Common in the east, sparse (introduced) in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Ononis** L.

### **O. repens** L. (107, 108) Common Restharrow

On dunes. Rare.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	FARR		

*Golspie* (*Golspie*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, *Farr*)

**Medicago** L.

### **M. sativa** L. (108) Lucerne

In cultivated fields. Casual.

*Farr* (*Farr Bay*, 1957, *J.A.*)

**M. lupulina** L. (107, 108) Black Medick  
Fields, dunes and waste places. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	_____	KILDONAN
_____	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	DURNESS	_____	FARR	_____	

**Melilotus** Mill.

**M. alba** Medic. White Melilot  
In cultivated field. Casual.  
*Farr (Farr Bay, 1958, J.A.)*

**Trifolium** L.

**T. pratense** L. (107, 108) Red Clover  
Fields and pastures. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	

**T. medium** L. (107, 108) Zigzag Clover  
Pastures. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	KILDONAN
_____	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	_____	_____	FARR	_____	

**T. hybridum** L. (107, 108) Alsike Clover  
Fields and roadsides. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
_____	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	

**T. repens** L. (107, 108) White Clover  
Pastures, dunes and roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	

**T. campestre** Schreb. (107, 108) Hop Trefoil  
Grassy places in dunes. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
_____	_____	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	

**T. dubium** Sibth. (107, 108) Lesser Trefoil  
In grassy places. Frequent except in the interior.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	

## Anthyllis L.

### **A. vulneraria** L. (107, 108) Kidney Vetch

Grassy places, cliffs by the sea, on hills on basic rock. Frequent near sea.

\_\_\_\_ \_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Lotus L.

### **L. corniculatus** L. (107, 108) Common Birdsfoot-trefoil

Grassy places, dunes, screes and roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **L. uliginosus** Schkuhr. (107, 108) Greater Birdsfoot-trefoil

Moist grassland. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_ \_ CLYNE \_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Astragalus L.

### **A. danicus** Retz. (107) Purple Milk-vetch

On sandy turf and dunes. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_ \_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH \_\_\_\_  
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## Oxytropis DC.

### **O. halleri** Bunge (108) Purple Oxytropis

On dunes and sea-cliffs. Rare.

\_\_\_\_ \_ FARR  
\_\_\_\_ \_

*Farr (Invernaver, Bettyhill, Farr, Kirtomy, Strathy)*

## Vicia L.

### **V. hirsuta** (L.) Gray (107) Hairy Tare

Fields and waste places. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_ \_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
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### **V. tetrasperma** (L.) Schreb. (107) Smooth Tare

Grassy places. Rare. No recent records.

CREICH \_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_  
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*Creich* (*Invershin*, 1908, G.C.D.)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1903, G.C.D.)

**V. cracca** L. (107, 108) Tufted Vetch

Hedges and roadsides. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**V. orobus** DC. (108) Wood Bitter-vetch

Rocky places near the sea. Rare.

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, *Achmelvich*, *Stoer*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Laxford*, *Kinlochbervie*)

**V. sylvatica** L. (108) Wood Vetch

Dunes and cliffs near the sea. Occasional.

ASSYNT DURNESS FARR

*Assynt* (*Clachtoll*)

*Durness* (*Kyle of Durness*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, *Farr*, *Armadale*, *Melvich*)

**V. sepium** L. (107, 108) Bush Vetch

Roadsides, grassy places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**V. angustifolia** L. (107, 108) Narrow-leaved Vetch

Dunes and roadsides. Occasional.

CREICH ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE KILDONAN  
ASSYNT TONGUE FARR

**V. sativa** L. (107, 108) Common Vetch

Fields. Occasional.

CREICH DORNOCH CLYNE  
ASSYNT TONGUE FARR

**V. lathyroides** L. (107) Spring Vetch

DORNOCH KILDONAN

*Dornoch* (*Mound*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Kildonan* (*Kilpheder*, 1962, M.McC.W.)

## Lathyrus L.

**L. pratensis** L. (107, 108) Meadow Vetchling  
Roadsides and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**L. montanus** Bernh. (107, 108) Bitter Vetch  
Woods, moorland, grassy banks. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## ROSACEAE

### Spiraea L.

**S. salicifolia** L. (107) Bridewort or Willow Spiraea  
Damp places amongst scrub. Escape from cultivation. Occasional.

—	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—		

### Filipendula Mill.

**F. ulmaria** (L.) Maxim. (107, 108) Meadowsweet  
Ditches, marshes and wet woods. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### Rubus L.

**R. chamaemorus** L. (107, 108) Cloudberry  
Wet peaty places on hills. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**R. saxatilis** L. (107, 108) Stone Bramble  
Rocky and stony places. Common in west.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**R. idaeus** L. (107, 108) Raspberry  
Woods and hedges. Frequent in east, sparse in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			



Sub-genus **Rubus** F. & S.  
Section **Suberecti** P.J.Muell.

**R. scissus** W.C.R.Wats. (107)  
*Creich* (*Rosehall, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Dornoch, 1959, J.A.*)

**R. plicatus** Weihe & Nees (107)  
*Creich* (*Rosehall & Invershin, 1896, E.S.M. & F.J.H.*)

**R. fissus** Lindl. (107)  
*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge, 1897, E.S.M.; Rosehall, 1960, J.A.; Invershin, 1908, G.C.D.*)

Section **Triviales** P.J.Muell.

**R. sublustris** Lees (107)  
*Creich* (*Invershin, 1897, E.S.M.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Mound, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Golspie* (*Golspie, 1903, G.C.D.*)

**R. latifolius** Bab. (107)  
*Dornoch* (*Mound, 1962, M.McC.W.*)  
*Clyne* (*Brora, 1957, M.McC.W.*)

**R. purpureicaulis** W.C.R.Wats. (107)  
*Dornoch* (*Skelbo Street, 1963, J.A.*)

Section **Sylvatici** P.J.Muell.

**R. nemoralis** P.J.Muell. (108)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Loch Stack, 1963, J.A.*)

**R. danicus** (Focke) Focke (108)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Laxford Bridge, 1962, M.McC.W.*)  
*Tongue* (*Tongue, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

**R. villicaulis** Koehl ex Weihe & Ness (107, 108)  
Abundant in the south and east, local in the north and west.  
CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT ————— DURNNESS TONGUE —————

Section **Appendiculati** (Genev.) Sudre

**R. mucronulatus** Bor. (107)

Abundant in south and east.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
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**R. radula** Weihe ex. Boenn. (107)

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch, 1963, J.A.*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie, 1963, J.A.; 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

*Loth* (*Culgower, 1963, J.A.*)

### Potentilla L.

**P. palustris** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Marsh Cinquefoil

Marshes and bogs. Common in the east, sparse in west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. sterilis** (L.) Garcke (108) Barren Strawberry

Amongst scrub. Rare.

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————— ————— ————— DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. rupestris** L. (107) Rock Cinquefoil

Calcareous cliff ledges. Very rare.

————— ————— ————— DORNOCH ————— ————— ————— —————  
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*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore, 1962, D.A.R.*)

**P. anserina** L. (107, 108) Silverweed

Waste places, dunes, shingle shores. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. crantzii** (Crantz) G.Beck ex Fritsch (107, 108) Alpine Cinquefoil

Rock-ledges on hills. Very rare.

————— ————— ————— ————— ————— ————— ————— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT ————— DURNNESS ————— —————

*Kildonan* (*Ben Griam*)

*Assynt* (*Hills round Inchnadamph*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*)

**P. erecta** (L.) Räusch (107, 108) Tormentil

Heaths, grassland and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. reptans** L. (108) Creeping Cinquefoil

Grassy places. Rare.

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ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

**Sibbaldia** L.

**S. procumbens** L. (107, 108) Sibbaldia or Lesser Cinquefoil

Bare places on mountains. Occasional.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Fragaria** L.

**F. vesca** L. (107, 108) Wild Strawberry

Grassy banks and woods. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Geum** L.

**G. urbanum** L. (107, 108) Wood Avens

Shady places. Occasional in east, sparse in north and west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE FARR

**G. rivale** L. (107, 108) Water Avens

Wet shady places in ditches and woods. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Dryas** L.

**D. octopetala** L. (107, 108) Mountain Avens

Basic rocks on hills and on coastal turf. Frequent in north and west,  
very rare in east.

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ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR KILDONAN

*Kildonan (Ben Griam)*

**Agrimonia** L.

**A. eupatoria** L. (107, 108) Agrimony

Rocky places amongst scrub. Very rare.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ FARR

*Dornoch (Cambusmore)*

*Farr (Altnaharra)*

### Alchemilla L.

**A. alpina** L. (107, 108) Alpine Lady's-mantle

Mountain pastures. Descends to sea-level. Frequent in west, rare in east.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**A. glaucescens** Wallr. (108)

Calcareous grassland. Very rare.

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ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

**A. filicaulis** Buser

sub sp. *vestita* (Buser) M.E. Bradshaw (107, 108)

Grasslands. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	DURNESS	—	—	—	—

sub sp. *filicaulis* (107, 108)

Mountain grasslands. Frequent.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**A. glomerulans** Buser (107)

On rock-ledges. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

**A. glabra** Neygent. (107, 108)

Grasslands. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

**A. wichurae** (Buser) Stéfanss (107, 108)

Mountain grassland. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	—	—	—	—	—

### Aphanes L.

**A. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Parsley Piert

Waste places. Occasional.

————— ———— ———— DORNOCH ———— ———— ———— ————  
————— EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**A. microcarpa** (Boiss. & Reut.) Rothm. (107, 108) Slender Parsley Piert  
Fields and wasteplaces. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ———— TONGUE FARR

**Acaena Mutis ex L.**

**A. anserinifolia** (J.R. & G.Forst.) Druce (107, 108) Pirri-pirri-bur  
Garden escape.

*Dornoch (Cambusmore)*

*Farr (Melvich)*

**Rosa L.**

**R. pimpinellifolia** L. (107, 108) Burnet Rose  
Dunes and sandy heaths. Frequent in all coastal areas.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

× **R. glabra** W-Dod (107)

*Clyne (Brora, 1898, E.S.M. & W.A.S.)*

× **R. involuta** Sm. (107, 108)

*Golspie (Golspie, 1903, G.C.D.)*

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1890, E.S.M. & F.J.H.)*

*Durness (Heilam, 1901, E.S.M.)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1910, E.S.M., Armadale & Melvich, 1916, E.S.M.)*

× **R. sabinii** Woods (107, 108)

*Creich (Inveran, 1959, J.A.)*

*Assynt (Loch Assynt & Kylesku, 1890, F.J.H. & E.S.M.)*

*Farr (Invernaver, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S.)*

**R. canina** L. var. **globularis** (Franch.) Dum. (108) Dog Rose

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1944, A.J.W. & M.S.C.)*

**R. dumalis** Bechst. (107, 108)

Margins of woods, amongst scrub and roadsides. Frequent in east.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR



The undermentioned forms have been recorded:

var. **typica** W-Dod (107, 108)

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge*, 1890, *E.S.M.*, *Rosehall & Inveran*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Rogart* (*Rogart*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Dornoch* (*Clashmore*, *Dornoch*, *Torboll*, *Mound*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, *Inchnadamph*, *Kylesku*, 1890, *F.J.H.* & *E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1827, *R.G.*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, 1889, *F.J.H.* & *E.S.M.*, 1908, *G.C.D.*, *Farr*, 1959, *J.A.*)

var. **schlimpertii** Hofm.

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*)

var. **aspernata** (Desegl.) Briggs. (107)

*Creich* (*Rosehall*, 1890, *F.J.H.* & *E.S.M.*)

var. **rueteri** (God.) Cott. (107)

*Lairg* (*Lairg*, 1960, *J.A.*)

*Dornoch* (*Astle*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Golspie* (*Strath Fleet*, 1960, *J.A.*)

var. **glaucophylla** (Winch) W-Dod (107, 108)

*Creich* (*Invershin*, 1908, *G.C.D.*, *Bonar Bridge*, 1960, *J.A.*)

*Kildonan* (*Helmsdale*, 1960, *J.A.*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*, *Inchnadamph & Kylesku*, 1890, *F.J.H.* & *E.S.M.*)

var. **subcanina** Chr. (107, 108)

*Rogart* (*Rogart*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Golspie* (*Mound*, 1959, *J.A.*)

*Farr* (*Farr Bay*, 1959, *J.A.*)

var. **watsoni** (Baker) W-Dod (108)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)

var. **bakeri** (Déségl.) W-Dod (107)

*Golspie* (*Loch Fleet*, 1897, *E.S.M.* & *W.A.S.*)

*Clyne* (*Brora*, 1897, *E.S.M.* & *W.A.S.*)

f. **setigera** W-Dod (108)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver & Achmelvich*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*)

var. **pruinosa** (Baker) W-Dod (108)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*, 1897, *E.S.M.* & *W.A.S.*)

**R. villosa** L. (107, 108)

Wood margins. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	FARR	_____	_____

var. **mollis** Sm. (107, 108)

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch, 1903, G.C.D.*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie, 1903, G.C.D.*)

*Assynt* (*Traligill Burn, 1886, A.G.*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill, 1897, W.F.M.*)

f. **coerulea** Woods (107, 108)

*Dornoch* (*Mound, 1959, J.A.*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph, 1909, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill, 1889, W.F.M., Melvich, 1916, E.S.M.*)

× **R. schoolbredi** W-Dod (107)

*Dornoch* (*Cuthill, 1959, J.A.*)

**R. tomentosa** Sm. (107, 108)

Margins of woods. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

var. **typica** W-Dod (107, 108)

*Creich* (*Invershin, 1908, G.C.D.*)

*Lairg* (*Lairg, 1908, G.C.D.*)

*Assynt* (*Achmelvich, 1944, A.J.W., Unapool, 1886, A.G., Kylesku, 1908, E.S.M.*)

var. **scabriuscula** Sm. (107)

*Golspie* (*Dunrobin, 1903, G.C.D.*)

**R. sherardii** Davies (107, 108)

Amongst scrub. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____	_____	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____

var. **typica** W-Dod (107, 108)

*Lairg* (*Lairg, 1960, J.A.*)

*Dornoch* (*Astle, Badnanish, 1960, J.A.*)

*Golspie* (*Dunrobin, 1960, J.A.*)

*Kildonan* (*Helmsdale, 1960, J.A.*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph, 1890, E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Drocheid Mor, 1960, J.A.*)

*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1959, J.A., Melvich, 1916, E.S.M.*)

f. **submollis** (Ley) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Creich* (*Bonar Bridge, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Clashmore, Camore, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Assynt* (*Kylesku, 1909, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

f. **pseudomollis** (Baker) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Dornoch* (*Mound, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Clyne* (*Dalcharn, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Loth* (*Loth, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Durness* (*Sangomore, 1960, J.A.*)

f. **uncinata** (Lees) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Creich* (*Inveran, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Dornoch, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Tongue* (*Coldbackie, 1909, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

var. **omissa** (Déségl.) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Lairg* (*Lairg, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Astle, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1959, J.A.*)

f. **resinosoides** (Crép.) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Creich* (*Rosehall, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Rogart* (*Rogart, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Dornoch, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Assynt* (*Lochinver, 1908, E.S.M.*)

var. **woodsiana** (Groves) W-Dod (107, 108)  
*Dornoch* (*Evelix, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Clyne* (*Tressady, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1959, J.A.*)

var. **suberecta** (Ley) W-Dod  
*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge, 1909, E.S.M., Invershin, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Lairg* (*Lairg, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Rogart* (*Rogart, 1960, J.A.*)  
*Dornoch* (*Camore, 1959, J.A.*)  
*Assynt* (*Lochinver, Inchnadamph, Kylesku, 1909, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)  
*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1959, J.A., Bettyhill, Armadale, 1909, E.S.M.*)

f. **glabrata** Ley (108)  
*Farr* (*Bettyhill, 1909, E.S.M.*)

**R. rubiginosa** L. (107) Sweet Briar  
Waste places. Escape from cultivation. Rare.

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch*, 1959, J.A.)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1903, G.C.D.)

### Prunus L.

**P. spinosa** L. (107, 108) Blackthorn

Amongst scrub and wood margins. Occasional in east, rare in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**P. domestica** L. (107) Wild Plum

Introduced. Old record.

*Creich* (*Rosehall*, 1890, F.J.H. & E.S.M.)

**P. avium** (L.) L. (107, 108) Wild Cherry or Gean

Woodlands. Occasional. Introduced in west and north.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		—	—	FARR		

**P. padus** L. (107, 108) Bird Cherry

Woodlands. Occasional in east, rare in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	TONGUE	FARR		

### Cotoneaster Medic.

**C. simonsii** Bak. (107) Himalayan Cotoneaster

Escape from gardens.

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

*Golspie* (*Dunrobin*)

*Clyne* (*Brora*)

*Kildonan* (*Kildonan*)

**C. horizontalis** Decne. (107) Wall Cotoneaster

Garden escape. Established on links.

*Dornoch* (*Dornoch*)

**C. microphyllus** Wall. ex Lindl. (107) Small-leaved Cotoneaster

Garden escape.

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

*Kildonan* (*Kildonan*)

## Crataegus L.

### **C. monogyna** Jacq. (107, 108) Hawthorn

Amongst scrub and in woods. Occasional, probably planted in the north.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

## Sorbus L.

### **S. aucuparia** L. (107, 108) Rowan

Woods, scrub, mountain rocks. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### **S. aria** (L.) Crantz sensu lato (107) Common Whitebeam

Planted. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE ——— ———  
———— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

### **S. rupicola** (Syme) Hedl. (107, 108) Rock Whitebeam

On limestone rocks. Very rare.

———— ——— ——— DORNOCH ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Dornoch (Cambusmore, 1939, P.M.H., 1962, A.M.G.)*

*Assynt (Inchnadamph, 1826, R.G.)*

## CRASSULACEAE

### Sedum L.

### **S. rosea** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Roseroot

Shingle shores, sea-cliffs and mountain cliffs. Frequent in north and west, rare in east.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— GOLSPIE ——— LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### **S. telephium** L. (107) Orpine

Woods. Very rare.

———— ——— ——— ——— GOLSPIE ——— ——— ———  
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*Golspie (Dunrobin)*

### **S. anglicum** Huds. (107, 108) English Stonecrop

Sea-cliffs and shingle beaches. Occasional in west, rare in east.

———— ——— ——— ——— GOLSPIE ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR



**S. album** L. (107, 108) White Stonecrop

Rocks and walls. Introduced, rare.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **ROGART**      \_\_\_\_\_      **GOLSPIE**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
**ASSYNT**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_

**S. acre** L. (107, 108) Biting Stonecrop or Wall-pepper

Dunes, shingle beaches and rocks. Frequent in coastal areas.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **ROGART**      **DORNOCH**      **GOLSPIE**      **CLYNE**      **LOTH**      **KILDONAN**  
**ASSYNT**      **EDDRACHILLIS**      **DURNESS**      **TONGUE**      **FARR**

**S. forsteranum** Sm. (107) Rock Stonecrop

Introduced. Rare.

*Creich (Shin)*

**SAXIFRAGACEAE**

**Saxifraga** L.

**S. nivalis** L. (107, 108) Alpine Saxifrage

Mountain cliffs, up to 2700 ft. Very rare.

**CREICH**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **DURNESS**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich (Ben More Assynt, 1962, D.A.R.)*

*Durness (Meall Horn, 1959, D.A.R.)*

**S. stellaris** L. (107, 108) Starry Saxifrage

Wet rocks on mountains. Frequent in north and west. Descends to sea-level.

**CREICH**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **LOTH**      \_\_\_\_\_  
**ASSYNT**      **EDDRACHILLIS**      **DURNESS**      **TONGUE**      **FARR**

**S. tridactylites** L. (107, 108) Rue-leaved Saxifrage

Bare sandy places on dunes and on walls. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **DORNOCH**      **GOLSPIE**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **FARR**

*Dornoch (Dornoch)*

*Golspie (Golspie)*

*Farr (Farr Bay)*

**S. hypnoides** L. (107, 108) Mossy Saxifrage

Wet rock-ledges on mountains. At sea-level in the east. Occasional.

**CREICH**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      **DORNOCH**      **GOLSPIE**      \_\_\_\_\_      **LOTH**      \_\_\_\_\_  
**ASSYNT**      **EDDRACHILLIS**      **DURNESS**      **TONGUE**      **FARR**

**S. aizoides** L. (107, 108) Yellow Saxifrage

Stony ground and rock-ledges on mountains. At sea-level in the north and west. Frequent in north and west, absent from east.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. oppositifolia** L. (107, 108) Purple Saxifrage  
 Rock-ledges on mountains, stony ground, sea-cliffs and shingle.  
 Frequent in the north and west. At sea-level on the north coast.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### Chrysosplenium L.

**C. oppositifolium** L. (107, 108) Opposite-leaved Golden-saxifrage  
 Wet shady places by ditches and streams. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## PARNASSIACEAE

### Parnassia L.

**P. palustris** L. (107, 108) Grass-of-Parnassus  
 Marshes, moors and dune-slacks. Frequent.

————— ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## GROSSULARIACEAE

### Ribes L.

**R. sylvest**re (Lam.) Mert. & Koch (107, 108) Red Currant  
 Woods. Introduced. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— ——— ———  
 ——— ——— ——— TONGUE FARR

**R. spicatum** Robson (107) Downy Currant or Erect-spiked Red Currant  
 Introduced.

*Kildonan (Kildonan)*

**R. nigrum** L. (107, 108) Black Currant  
 Woods. Introduced. An escape. Rare.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH ——— ——— ———  
 ——— ——— ——— TONGUE FARR

**R. uva-crispa** L. (107, 108) Gooseberry  
 Woods and scrub. Introduced. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT ——— ——— DURNES TONGUE ———



Ditches and margins of ponds. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
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**E. montanum** L. (107, 108) Broad-leaved Willowherb

Shady damp places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

**E. roseum** Schreb. (107) Small-flowered or Pale Willowherb

Garden weed. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

**E. adnatum** Griseb. (107) Square-stalked Willowherb

Shady ditches. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

**E. obscurum** Schreb. (107, 108) Short-fruited Willowherb

Damp shady places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

**E. palustre** L. (107, 108) Marsh Willowherb

Ditches, marshes, margins of ponds. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

**E. anagallidifolium** Lam. (107, 108) Alpine Willowherb

Wet places on mountains. Occasional on western hills.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	—	—	—	—

**E. alsinifolium** Vill. (107, 108) Chickweed Willowherb

Wet places on western mountains. Very occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

**E. nerterioides** Cunn. (108) New Zealand Willowherb

Introduced.

*Tongue (Loch Buidhe)*

*Knocknan rock (Knocknan, 1973, I.A.)*

Several hybrids have been recorded. Among these are:

- E. alsinifolium** × **E. anagallidifolium**
- E. alsinifolium** × **E. obscurum**
- E. alsinifolium** × **E. palustre**
- E. anagallidifolium** × **E. obscurum**
- E. anagallidifolium** × **E. palustre**
- E. montanum** × **E. obscurum**
- E. obscurum** × **E. palustre**

### **Chamaenerion** Adans.

**C. angustifolium** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Rosebay Willowherb  
Waste places, woodlands, rocks on mountains. Ascends to 1400 ft.  
Frequent in south and east, occasional in north and west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

### **Circaea** L.

**C. lutetiana** L. (108) Enchanter's-nightshade  
Shady places in woods. Rare.

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ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNNESS \_\_\_\_\_  
*Assynt (Lochinver, Achmelvich)*  
*Durness (Durness)*

**C. intermedia** Ehrh. (107, 108) Upland Enchanter's Nightshade  
Shady places amongst rocks and in woods. Rare.

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ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
*Dornoch (Cambusmore)*  
*Golspie (Dunrobin)*  
*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*  
*Farr (Bettyhill)*

## **HALORAGACEAE**

### **Myriophyllum** L.

**M. spicatum** L. (108) Spiked Water-milfoil  
In streams. Rare.

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ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNNESS TONGUE \_\_\_\_\_

**M. alterniflorum** DC. (107, 108) Alternate Water-milfoil



In streams. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## HIPPURIDACEAE

Hippuris L.

**H. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Mare's-tail

Lochans. Occasional.

—	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	—	FARR		

## CALLITRICHACEAE

Callitriche L.

**C. stagnalis** Scop. (107, 108) Common Water-starwort

Ditches and ponds. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**C. platycarpa** Kütz. (108) Various-leaved Water-starwort

Ditches. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

**C. intermedia** Hoffm. (107, 108) Intermediate Water-starwort

sub sp. **hamulata** (Kütz.) Clapham

Ditches, ponds and streams. Occasional.

—	—	ROGART	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		—	—	FARR		

**C. hermaphroditica** L. (107, 108) Autumnal Water-starwort

Streams. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	EDDRACHILLIS		—	—	FARR		

## CORNACEAE

Chamaepericlymenum Hill

**C. suecicum** (L.) Aschers. & Graebn. (107, 108) Dwarf Cornel

Mountain moors. Frequent in west, rare in east.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## ARALIACEAE

Hedera L.

**H. helix** L. (107, 108) Ivy

Woodlands, hedges, walls, sea-cliffs. Frequent but absent from interior.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

## UMBELLIFERAE

Hydrocotyle L.

**H. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Marsh Pennywort

Bogs and marshes. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

**Sanicula** L.

**S. europaea** L. (107, 108) Sanicle

Woods. Occasional in west, rare in east.

—	—	ROGART	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

**Anthriscus** Pers.

**A. caucalis** Bieb. (107) Bur Chervil

Waste places. Casual.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

*Golspie* (*Golspie*)

*Kildonan* (*Helmsdale*)

**A. sylvestris** (L.) Hoffm. (107, 108) Cow Parsley

Fields, roadsides, waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

**Scandix** L.

**S. pecten-veneris** L. (108) Shepherd's-needle

Field. Old record.

*Farr* (*Melvich, 1886, F.J.H.*)

## Myrrhis Mill.

**M. odorata** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Sweet Cicely  
Roadsides and margins of fields. Occasional in east, rare in north and west.

CREICH	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	TONGUE	—		

## Torilis Adans.

**T. japonica** (Houtt.) DC. (107, 108) Upright Hedge-parsley  
Waste places and roadsides. Occasional in east, very rare in north.

CREICH	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
—	—		DURNESS	—	—		

*Durness (Balnakeil, 1964, A.G.K.)*

## Conium L.

**C. maculatum** L. (107, 108) Hemlock  
Waste places. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
—	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

## Apium L.

**A. inundatum** (L.) Reichb. f. (107) Lesser Marshwort  
Marshes. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	—	—	—	—
—	—		—	—	—		

*Dornoch (Loch Fleet, 1888, J.G., 1962, V.S.S.)*

## Carum L.

**C. carvi** L. (108) Caraway  
Introduced. Rare.

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—	—		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Conopodium Koch

**C. majus** (Gouan) Loret (107, 108) Pignut  
Fields, banks and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Pimpinella L.**

**P. saxifraga L.** (107, 108) Burnet-saxifrage

Dry grassy places and dunes. Occasional on the north coast, rare in east.

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GOLSPIE CLYNE  
DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### **Aegopodium L.**

**A. podagraria L.** (107, 108) Ground-elder or Goutweed

Fields and waste places. Frequent.

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### **Crithmum L.**

**C. maritimum L.** (108) Rock Samphire

On sea-cliffs. Very rare.

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FARR  
*Farr (Strathy Point, Three plants, 1959, M.McC.W.)*

### **Oenanthe L.**

**O. crocata L.** (108) Hemlock Water-dropwort

Marshes. Rare.

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ASSYNT  
*Assynt (Lochinver, 1944, A.J.W.)*

### **Aethusa L.**

**A. cynapium L.** (107) Fool's Parsley

Waste places. Casual.

*Golspie (Golspie)*

### **Ligusticum L.**

**L. scoticum L.** (108) Scots Lovage

Sea-cliffs, shingle. Frequent on north and west coasts.

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ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

### **Angelica L.**

**A. sylvestris L.** (107, 108) Wild Angelica

Wet woods, damp grassy places and banks, sea-cliffs. Common, widespread.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Peucedanum L.**

**P. ostruthium** (L.) Koch (107) Masterwort

In old garden.

*Loth* (*Loth, 1959, M.McC.W.*)

**Heracleum L.**

**H. sphondylium** L. (107, 108) Hogweed or Cow Parsnip

Fields, waste places. Common.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Daucus L.**

**D. carota** L. (108) Wild Carrot

Dunes and sandy fields. Frequent on north and west coasts.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**EUPHORBIACEAE**

*Mercurialis* L.

**M. perennis** L. (107, 108) Dog's Mercury

Sandy places. Very rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FARR

**Euphorbia L.**

**E. helioscopia** L. (107, 108) Sun Spurge

Cultivated ground. Frequent in north.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
 DURNES TONGUE FARR

**E. peplus** L. (107, 108) Petty Spurge

Cultivated ground. Rare.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_ FARR



**E. cyparissias** L. (108) Cypress Spurge  
 Dry grassland. Introduced. Rare.

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**POLYGONACEAE**

*Polygonum* L.

**P. aviculare** L. sensu lato (107, 108) Knotgrass  
 Fields, roadsides, waste places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. boreale** (Lange) Small (107, 108)  
*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1962, *M.McC.W.*)  
*Durness* (*Durness*)

**P. viviparum** L. (107, 108) Alpine Bistort  
 Rocky and grassy places on mountains, coastal pastures, at sea-level in the north. Frequent in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. amphibium** L. (107, 108) Amphibious Bistort  
 In lochs and ponds. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	—	—	—		

**P. persicaria** L. (107, 108) Redshank or Persicaria  
 Cultivated ground. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. lapathifolium** L. (108) Pale Persicaria  
 Cultivated ground. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	—	—	—		

**P. hydropiper** L. (108) Common Water-pepper  
 Wet places. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	—	—		

**P. convolvulus** L. (107, 108) Black-bindweed  
 Cultivated fields. Occasional.

— — — — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE — — — — — KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. cuspidatum** Sieb. & Zucc. (107, 108) Japanese Knotweed

Garden escape.

*Creich* (*Inveran*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*)

**Oxyria** Hill

**O. digyna** (L.) Hill. (108) Mountain Sorrel

Wet rocky places on mountains. At sea-level on north coast. Frequent.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Rumex** L.

**R. acetosella** L. sensu lato (107, 108) Sheep's Sorrel

Fields, heaths, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**R. acetosa** L. (107, 108) Common Sorrel

Grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**R. longifolius** DC. (107, 108) Northern Dock or Butter Dock

Damp places. Occasional.

CREICH — — — — — GOLSPIE CLYNE — — — — — KILDONAN

— — — — — FARR

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, 1889, *F.J.H.*) *Old record.*

**R. crispus** L. (107, 108) Curled Dock

Shingle beaches, dunes, fields, waste places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**R. obtusifolius** L. (107, 108) Broad-leaved Dock

Fields, waste places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**R. conglomeratus** Murr. (107, 108) Clustered Dock or Sharp Dock

Damp grassy places. Rare.

— LAIRG — — — — —  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS — — — — —

**URTICACEAE**

*Urtica* L.

**U. urens** L. (107, 108) Small Nettle  
 Fields, waste places. Occasional in the east.

— — — — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE — — — KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**U. dioica** L. (107, 108) Common Nettle or Stinging Nettle  
 Fields, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**ULMACEAE**

*Ulmus* L.

**U. glabra** Huds. (107, 108) Wych Elm  
 Woodlands. Frequent in the south-east, occasional in north-west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**MYRICACEAE**

*Myrica* L.

**M. gale** L. (107, 108) Bog Myrtle  
 Bogs, wet moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**BETULACEAE**

*Betula* L.

**B. pendula** Roth (107, 108) Silver Birch  
 Woods and heaths on hills. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**B. pubescens** Ehrh. (107, 108) Downy Birch  
 Woods, heaths in wetter areas. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**B. nana** L. (107, 108) Dwarf Birch  
Bogs and wet moors. Occasional.

LAIRG

TONGUE FARR

*Lairg* (*Ben Hee*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, *Ben Tongue*)

*Farr* (*Ben Klibreck*, *Strathy Bog*)

hybrid **B. nana** × **pubescens** occurs on Ben Loyal

**Alnus** Mill.

**A. glutinosa** (L.) Gaertn. (107, 108) Alder  
Margins of lakes and streams. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## CORYLACEAE

**Carpinus** L.

**C. betulus** L. (107, 108) Hornbeam  
Introduced.

*Golspie* (*Dunrobin*)

*Tongue* (*Borgie*)

*Farr* (*Melvich*)

**Corylus** L.

**C. avellana** L. (107, 108) Hazel  
Woods, scrub, hedges. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## FAGACEAE

**Fagus** L.

**F. sylvatica** L. (107, 108) Beech

Woods. Frequent in south-east, sparse in north and west. Introduced.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Castanea** Mill.

**C. sativa** Mill. (107) Sweet Chestnut  
In woods. Introduced. Rare.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— ——— ———  
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**Quercus L.**

**Q. robur L.** (107, 108) Pedunculate Oak  
 In woods. Introduced in north. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT ——— DURNNESS ——— FARR

**Q. petraea** (Mattuschka) Liebl. (107, 108) Sessile Oak  
 Woods in the south-east, frequent, sparse in the north. Often planted.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**SALICACEAE**

**Populus L.**

**P. tremula L.** (107, 108) Aspen  
 Woods, rocky places on heaths and ravines and sea-cliffs. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. alba L.** (107, 108) White Poplar  
 Introduced.

*Golspie (Golspie, Dunrobin)*  
*Farr (Altnaharra)*

**P. nigra agg.** (107, 108) Black Poplar  
 Introduced.

*Creich (Rosehall)*  
*Rogart (Rogart)*  
*Assynt (Lochinver)*  
*Tongue (Tongue)*

**Salix L.**

**S. pentandra L.** (107, 108) Bay Willow  
 Introduced. Usually near houses.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT ——— DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**S. alba L.** (107, 108) White Willow  
 Introduced. Very occasional.

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 ——— ——— ——— DURNNESS ——— ———



**S. fragilis** L. (107, 108) Crack Willow

Introduced, occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	—	—	—	—

**S. purpurea** L. (107, 108) Purple Willow

Introduced. Very occasional.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—	—	DURNESS	—	—	—	—

**S. viminalis** L. (107, 108) Osier

Wet places. Frequently planted round houses. Absent from interior.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**S. caprea** L. (107, 108) Goat Willow

Woods. Occasional in the south-east; sparse in the north.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**S. cinerea** L. Grey Willow or Common Sallow

sub sp. **atrocinerea** (Brot) Silva & Sobrinho (107, 108)

Woods and scrub. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**S. aurita** L. (107, 108) Eared Willow

Damp woods and moorland. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**S. nigricans** Sm. (107, 108) Dark-leaved Willow

Wet places. Rare.

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—	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	—	—	—	—

*Eddrachillis* (*Scourie*)

**S. phylicifolia** L. (107, 108) Tea-leaved Willow

Wet rocks on mountains. Rare.

—	—	ROGART	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**S. repens** L. (107, 108) Creeping Willow

sub sp. **repens**. Damp and wet heaths. Common.

sub sp. **argentea** (Sm.) G. & A. Camus. Dune slacks and rocky heaths near the sea. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. lapponum** L. (108) Downy Willow  
 Wet rocks on mountains. Rare.

ASSYNT ————— DURNES ————— FARR

**S. myrsinites** L. (107, 108) Whortle-leaved Willow  
 Basic rocks on mountains. Rare.

ASSYNT ————— DURNES ————— KILDONAN

**S. herbacea** L. (107, 108) Dwarf Willow or Least Willow  
 Bare ground and rock-ledges on mountains. Frequent on higher hills.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART ————— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. reticulata** L. (108) Net-leaved or Reticulate Willow  
 Mountain screes. Very rare.

————— DURNES —————

*Durness (Ben Hope, 1833, J.M., 1957, R.E.C.F.)*

## ERICACEAE

*Loiseleuria* Desv.

**L. procumbens** (L.) Desv. (107, 108) Trailing Azalea or *Loiseleuria*  
 On dry stony places on mountain moors. From 700 ft near the north  
 coast to 2600 ft on Ben Hope. Chiefly in the north and west. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ————— CLYNE ————— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

*Arctostaphylos* Adans.

**A. uva-ursi** (L.) Spreng. (107, 108) Bearberry  
 Dry rocky places on mountains and heaths. Descends to sea-level on  
 north coast. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ————— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

*Arctous* (A. Gray) Nied.

**A. alpinus** (L.) Nied. (107, 108) Alpine Bearberry or Black Bearberry  
 On barren mountain tops. Frequent on hills in the north and west.

Descends to 400 ft on the north coast.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### **Calluna Salisb.**

**C. vulgaris** (L.) Hull (107, 108) Heather

On heaths, moors, woods and dunes. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### **Erica L.**

**E. tetralix** L. (107, 108) Cross-leaved Heath

Damp heaths, moors and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**E. cinerea** L. (107, 108) Bell Heather

Dry heaths and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### **Vaccinium L.**

**V. vitis-idaea** L. (107, 108) Cowberry

Woods and heaths. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. myrtillus** L. (107, 108) Bilberry or Blaeberry

Woods, moors and mountains. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. uliginosum** L. (107, 108) Bog Bilberry or Bog Whortleberry

On high wet moors. Mainly in the north and west. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**V. oxycoccus** L. (107) Cranberry

In bogs. Very rare.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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*Creich (Oykell Bridge, 1909, E.S.M.)*

## PYROLACEAE

Pyrola L.

**P. minor** L. (107, 108) Common Wintergreen  
Cliff-ledges on hills and in woods. Rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS TONGUE \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1962, D.A.R.)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1888, J.G., 1959, J.A.)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1900, E.S.M.)

*Tongue* (*Rhi-Tongue*, 1886, A.G.; *Ben Loyal*, 1887, J.H.)

**P. media** Sw. (107, 108) Intermediate Wintergreen  
Rocky places on heaths. Rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich* (*Invershin*, 1887, W.C., 1888, J.G.)

*Kildonan* (*Ord*, 1959, J.A.)

*Farr* (*Strath Vagastie*, 1899, W.F.M.)

**P. rotundifolia** L. (108) Round-leaved Wintergreen  
Cliff-ledges on hills. Very rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1900, E.S.M., 1959, J.A.)

### Orthilia Raf.

**O. secunda** (L.) House (107) Serrated Wintergreen  
Pine-woods and rock-ledges on hills. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN \_\_\_\_\_

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*, 1962, A.McG.S.)

*Golspie* (*Ben Braghie*, 1888, J.G.)

*Clyne* (*Loch Brora*, 1962, J.A.)

*Kildonan* (*Achentoul*, 1962, A.McG.S.)

### Moneses Salisb.

**M. uniflora** (L.) A. Gray (107) One-flowered Wintergreen  
In pine woods. Very rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_

*Golspie* (*Balblair*, 1890, F.C.C., 1897, E.S.M. & F.J.H., 1923, G.C.D., 1960, J.A.; *Mound*, 1900, T.J.F.)

## EMPETRACEAE

*Empetrum* L.

**E. nigrum** L. (107, 108) Crowberry

On moors. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**E. hermaphroditum** Hagerup (107, 108) Mountain Crowberry

Mountain moors, mainly in the north and west, at the highest altitudes.

Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG — — — CLYNE — KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## PLUMBAGINACEAE

*Armeria* Willd.

**A. maritima** (Mill.) Willd. (107, 108) Thrift

sub sp. *maritima*

Salt-marshes, coastal pastures, sea-cliffs and on mountains. Ascends to 3000 ft. Frequent.

CREICH — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE — — KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## PRIMULACEAE

*Primula* L.

**P. scotica** Hook. (108) Scottish Primrose

Pastures by the sea. All along the north coast. Occasional.

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DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. veris** L. (107, 108) Cowslip

Sandy pastures by the sea, occasional in north, very rare in the east.

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ASSYNT — — — — — — — —  
DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. vulgaris** Huds. (107, 108) Primrose

Woods and banks. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR



## Lysimachia L.

### **L. nemorum** L. (107, 108) Yellow Pimpernel

Woods and banks. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

### **L. vulgaris** L. (107) Yellow Loosestrife

Near old garden. An escape.

*Dornoch (Badnanish)*

## Trientalis L.

### **T. europaea** L. (107, 108) Chickweed Wintergreen

Woods and moorland. Widely but sparsely distributed. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

## Anagallis L.

### **A. tenella** (L.) L. (108) Bog Pimpernel

In bogs, marshy area and stream sides. Occasional.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

### **A. arvensis** L. (107) Scarlet Pimpernel

In fields. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
—	—		—	—	—		

*Creich (Rosehall)*

*Clyne (Brora)*

## Glaux L.

### **G. maritima** L. (107, 108) Sea-milkwort

Salt marshes, sandy and stony shores. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

## OLEACEAE

### Fraxinus L.

### **F. excelsior** L. (107, 108) Ash

Woodlands. Frequent in east, sparse (introduced) in north-west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNES	TONGUE	FARR		

## Ligustrum L.

### **L. vulgare** L. (107, 108) Wild Privet

Introduced.

CREICH	_____	ROGART	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	LOTH	_____
ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____

## GENTIANACEAE

Centaurium Hill

### **C. littorale** (D. Turner) Gilmour (107) Seaside Centaury

Damp sandy places by the sea. Very rare.

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*Dornoch (Dornoch Links, south shore of Loch Fleet)*

## Gentianella Moench

### **G. campestris** (L.) Börner (107, 108) Field Gentian

Grassland and dunes. Frequent by the sea.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____	_____

### **G. amarella** (L.) Börner. Autumn Gentian or Felwort

Dunes and sandy pastures by the sea.

sub sp. **druceana** Pritchard (107, 108)

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____

sub sp. **septentrionalis** (Druce) Pritchard (107, 108)

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____	_____

### **G. pulchra** Brummet & Heywood (108)

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ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

## MENYANTHACEAE

Menyanthes L.

### **M. trifoliata** L. (107, 108) Bogbean

Marshes, bogs and lake-margins. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	_____	_____	_____

## BORAGINACEAE

### Symphytum L.

**S. officinale** L. (107, 108) Common Comfrey

Wet grassy places and ditches. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	TONGUE	FARR		

**S. tuberosum** L. (107) Tuberous Comfrey

Roadside. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

*Kildonan (Kinbrace)*

### Pentaglottis Tausch

**P. sempervirens** (L.) Tausch (107, 108) Green Alkanet

Hedges and roadsides. Occasional.

—	LAIRG	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	—	TONGUE	—		

### Lycopsis L.

**L. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Bugloss

In cultivated fields. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Myosotis L.

**M. scorpioides** L. (107, 108) Water Forget-me-not

In wet places, ditches, ponds. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**M. secunda** A. Murr. (107, 108) Creeping Forget-me-not

In wet peaty places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**M. caespitosa** K. F. Schultz (107, 108) Tufted Forget-me-not

In marshes and ponds. Frequent but absent from the interior.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**M. arvensis** (L.) Hill (107, 108) Field Forget-me-not

In cultivated fields, dunes and waste places. Frequent.

CREICHA LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**M. discolor** Pers. (107, 108) Changing Forget-me-not or

Yellow and Blue Forget-me-not

In dry bare waste places. Common.

CREICHA LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**M. ramosissima** Rochel (107) Early Forget-me-not

Waste places. Rare.

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\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE CLYNE \_\_\_\_\_

*Golspie (Golspie)*

*Clyne (Brora)*

### Mertensia Roth

**M. maritima** (L.) Gray (107, 108) Northern Shore-wort or Oyster Plant

On coastal shingle. Rare. Decreasing.

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\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_ LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE FARR

*Golspie (Dunrobin, 1903, G.C.D., very scarce, now extinct)*

*Loth (Loth, 1965, M.M., one plant)*

*Kildonan (Helmsdale, 1845, D.R., now extinct)*

*Assynt (Inverkirkraig, 1886, A.G.; Clachtoll, 1956, J.A.)*

*Eddrachillis (Sandwood, 1919, now extinct)*

*Tongue (Skerray, 1956, J.A., two plants)*

*Farr (Kirtomy, 1895, E.S.M. & F.J.H., 1954, J.A., now extinct)*

## CONVOLVULACEAE

Convolvulus L.

**C. arvensis** L. (107) Field Bindweed

Recorded by H. C. Watson without locality.

### Calystegia R. Br.

**C. sepium** (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Hedge Bindweed or Larger Bindweed

Hedges and waste places. Occasional.

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\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ FARR

**C. silvatica** (Kit.) Griseb. (107) Large Bindweed

Hedges. Occasional.

———— LAIRG ———— ———— GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
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**C. pulchra** Brummitt & Heywood (108) Hairy Bindweed

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

## SOLANACEAE

Lycium L.

**L. chinense** Mill. (108) China Teaplant or Duke of Argyll's Tea-plant

On wall at roadside. An escape.

*Durness (Balnakiel)*

**Hyoscyamus** L.

**H. niger** L. (107) Henbane

In waste ground. Casual.

*Golspie (Golspie, 1898, E.S.M. & W.A.S.)*

**Solanum** L.

**S. dulcamara** L. (107, 108) Bittersweet

On waste ground. An escape.

*Creich (Bonar Bridge, 1962, J.A.)*

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1944)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1897, E.S.M.)*

## SCROPHULARIACEAE

Verbascum L.

**V. thapsus** L. (107) Great Mullein or Aaron's Rod

On waste ground. Casual.

*Golspie (Golspie, 1888, J.G., 1898, E.S.M. & W.A.S.)*

**Linaria** Mill.

**L. vulgaris** Mill. (107, 108) Common Toadflax

On railway banks. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE ———— ———— KILDONAN  
———— ———— ———— ———— ———— FARR

**Cymbalaria** Hill

**C. muralis** Gaertn., Mey. & Scherb. (107, 108) Ivy-leaved Toadflax

On walls. Garden escape.



GOLSPIE

EDDRACHILLIS

FARR

*Golspie (Golspie, Little Ferry)*

*Eddrachillis (Scourie)*

*Farr (Melvich)*

**Scrophularia L.**

**S. nodosa L.** (107, 108) Common Figwort

Damp woods, banks and ditches. Occasional in south and east. Very local in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	FARR			

**Mimulus L.**

**M. guttatus DC.** (107, 108) Monkeyflower

Banks of streams. Introduced. Established in many localities. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**M. luteus L.** (107, 108) Blood-drop-emlets

Banks of streams. Introduced. Much less frequent than *M. guttatus*.

—	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**M. moschatus Dougl. ex Lindl.** (107, 108) Musk

Banks of streams and ditches. Introduced. Occasional, near gardens.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Erinus L.**

**E. alpinus L.** (108) Fairy Foxglove

Introduced.

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1959, D.P.Y.)*

**Digitalis L.**

**D. purpurea L.** (107, 108) Foxglove

In woods, heaths and banks. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Veronica L.**

**V. beccabunga L.** (107, 108) Brooklime

In ditches and streams. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	_____	FARR		

**V. anagallis-aquatica** L. (108) Blue Water-speedwell

In streams. Rare.

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			DURNESS	_____	_____		

*Durness (Balnakeil, Eriboll)*

**V. scutellata** L. (107, 108) Marsh Speedwell

Wet places, ditches, ponds and bogs. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. officinalis** L. (107, 108) Heath Speedwell

Dunes, heaths and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. chamaedrys** L. (107, 108) Germander Speedwell

Woods, pastures, dunes and roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. serpyllifolia** L. (107, 108) Thyme-leaved Speedwell

sub sp. *serpyllifolia*

Grasslands and waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

sub sp. *humifusa* (Dickson) Syme

Damp places on mountains. Occasional.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Wall Speedwell

Cultivated fields. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. hederifolia** L. (107, 108) Ivy-leaved Speedwell

In waste places. Occasional.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____		_____	_____	FARR		

**V. persica** Poir. (107, 108) Common Field-speedwell or  
Buxbaum's Speedwell

In cultivated fields. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. polita** Fr. (108) Grey Field-speedwell

Waste ground. Rare.

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_____	_____		DURNESS	_____	FARR		

**V. agrestis** L. (107, 108) Green Field-speedwell

Cultivated ground. Occasional.

_____	LAIRG	_____	DORNOCH	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. filiformis** Sm. (107, 108) Slender Speedwell

At roadsides amongst grass. Casual, rare.

_____	_____	_____	DORNOCH	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____		_____	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Pedicularis** L.

**P. palustris** L. (107, 108) Marsh Lousewort or Red-rattle

In marshes. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**P. sylvatica** L. (107, 108) Lousewort

Damp heaths and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Rhinanthus** L.

**R. serotinus** (Schönh) Oborny (108) Greater Yellow-rattle

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1923, G.C.D.)*

**R. minor** L. (107, 108) Yellow-rattle

Grassy places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

sub sp. **stenophyllus** (Schur.) O. Schwarz (107, 108)

Damp grassy places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR  
 sub sp. **monticola** (Sterneck) O. Schwarz (107, 108)  
 Grassy places. Common.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT ——— DURNNESS TONGUE FARR  
 sub sp. **borealis** (Sterneck) Druce. (107, 108)  
 Grassy places on hills, at sea-level on north coast. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

### Melampyrum L.

**M. pratense** L. (107, 108) Common Cow-wheat  
 sub sp. **pratense** var *hians* Druce.

Woods and heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

### Euphrasia L.

**E. officinalis** L. (107, 108) Eyebright  
 Heaths, moors and screes. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. micrantha** × **nemorosa** Durness.

**E. scottica** Wettst. (107, 108)

On wet moors. Not uncommon in the north and west, rare in the east.  
 Ascends to 2000 ft on Ben More.

CREICH LAIRG ——— DORNOCH ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. frigida** Pugsl. (107, 108)

Rocky places on mountains. Ascends to 2500 ft on Ben More. Rare.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT ——— DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

*Creich (Ben More)*

*Assynt (Craig Liath)*

*Durness (Ben Hope)*

*Tongue (Ben Loyal)*

*Farr (Ben Klibreck)*

**E. frigida** × **micrantha**. Ben Loyal

**E. frigida** × **scottica**. Ben Hope

**E. foulaensis** Townsend ex Wettst. (107, 108)  
Coastal pastures and salt marshes. Occasional.

————— DORNOCH —————  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR  
*Dornoch (Dornoch, Loch Fleet)*  
*Eddrachillis (Handa)*  
*Durness (Smoo)*  
*Tongue (Kyle of Tongue)*  
*Farr (Invernaver, Bettyhill, Farr, Strathy & Melvich)*

**E. foulaensis** × **marshallii**. Bettyhill

**E. foulaensis** × **nemorosa**. Melness

**E. rotundifolia** Pugsl. (108)

Grassy sea-cliffs. Very rare.

————— EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR  
*Eddrachillis (Sandwood)*  
*Durness (Balnakeil)*  
*Tongue (Scullomie)*  
*Farr (Port Skerra)*

**E. marshallii** Pugsl. (108)

Grassy places on sea-cliffs. Occasional on north coast, sparse on west.

————— EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. marshallii** × **micrantha**. Eddrachillis, Durness and Tongue

**E. marshallii** × **brevipila**. Durness and Farr

**E. marshallii** × **nemorosa**. Tongue and Farr

**E. curta** (Fr.) Wettst. (107, 108)

Pastures near the sea and on mountain slopes. Occasional.

————— DORNOCH —————  
ASSYNT ————— TONGUE FARR

**E. curta** × **brevipila**. Tongue and Dornoch

**E. nemorosa** (Pers.) Wallr. (107, 108)

Pastures, dunes, heaths. Occasional.

————— DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE —————  
————— EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. nemorosa** × **brevipila**. Farr

**E. nemorosa** × **marshallii**. Farr



**E. confusa** Pugsl. (107, 108)

Moorland and coastal pastures. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	—	—	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**E. brevipila** Burnat & Gremlí (107, 108)

Pastures, fields and roadsides. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**E. brevipila** × **micrantha**. Assynt, Eddrachillis, Durness, Farr, Dornoch

**E. brevipila** × **curta**. Dornoch

var. **reayensis** Pugsl. (108)

Pastures. Occasional.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

*Assynt (Achmelvich)*

*Eddrachillis (Oldshoremore)*

*Tongue (Melness)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, Farr, Armadale & Port Skerra)*

**E. brevipila** var. **reayensis** × **marshallii**. Assynt and Farr

**E. brevipila** var. **reayensis** × **micrantha**. Assynt

**E. brevipila** var. **reayensis** × **nemorosa**. Farr and Tongue

**Odontites** Ludw.

**O. verna** (Bellardi) Dumort sub sp. **verna** (107, 108) Red Bartsia

Cultivated fields and roadsides in coastal areas. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**OROBANCHACEAE**

Orobanche L

**O. alba** Steph. ex Willd. (108) Thyme Broomrape or Red Broomrape

On sea cliffs. Very rare.

*Eddrachillis (Oldshoremore)*

**LENTIBULARIACEAE**

Pinguicula L.

**P. lusitanica** L. (107, 108) Pale Butterwort

In bogs. Frequent in the west.

CREICH LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Common Butterwort  
 Bogs, wet heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### Utricularia L.

**U. neglecta** Lehm. (108) Greater Bladderwort  
 In lochans. Rare.

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 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES \_\_\_\_\_  
*Assynt* (*Little Assynt*, 1939, P.M.H., *Stoer*, 1944, A.J.W.)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Sandwood*, 1952, M.McC.W.)  
*Durness* (*Farrmheal*, 1960, D.A.R.)

**U. intermedia** Hayne (108) Intermediate Bladderwort  
 In lochs and lochans. Frequent in the north and west.

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 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**U. minor** L. (108) Lesser Bladderwort  
 In lochans. Rare.

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 ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_  
*Assynt* (1833, R.G., *Achumore*, 1886, A.G.)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Scourie*, 1939, P.M.H. & E.C.W.)

### LABIATAE

#### Mentha L.

**M. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Corn Mint  
 In cultivated fields. Rare.

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 LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
 \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE FARR

**M. × verticillata** L. (108)  
 Near gardens. Local.  
*Tongue* (*Tongue*)

**M. × gentilis** L. (108)  
 Sides of ditches. Local.  
*Assynt* (*Stoer*, 1944, A.J.W.)

**M. aquatica** L. (107, 108) Water Mint

Ditches, marshes, streams and lakes. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**M. × piperita** L. (108) Peppermint

var. **piperita**

Sides of ditches. Local.

*Tongue (Tongue)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, Melvich)*

**M. spicata** L. (107, 108) Spear Mint

Damp places. An escape.

— — — — — ROGART DORNOCH — — — — — CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS — — — — — FARR

**M. × cordifolia** Opiz (107)

Damp places. Local.

*Kildonan (Helmsdale)*

**M. × niliaca** Jussex Jacq. (107, 108)

Damp places. Local.

*Clyne (Strath Brora, 1948, W.A.T.)*

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1944, A.J.W.)*

*Farr (Melvich)*

**Lycopus** L.

**L. europaeus** L. (107, 108) Gipsywort

Damp places. Rare.

— — — — — — — — — — — LOTH KILDONAN  
— — — — — EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS — — — — —

**Thymus** L.

**T. drucei** Ronn. (107, 108) Wild Thyme

Dry grassland, dunes, heaths and screes. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**Acinos** Mill

**A. arvensis** (Lam.) Dandy (107) Basil Thyme

On railway-bank. Casual.

*Creich (Invershin, 1890, E.S.M. & F.J.H.)*

### Prunella L.

**P. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Selfheal

Grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Stachys L.

**S. arvensis** (L.) L. (107, 108) Field Woundwort

In cultivated fields. Rare.

————	————	————	————	————	————	————	KILDONAN
————	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

*Kildonan (Helmsdale, 1889, W.R.L.)*

*Eddrachillis (Kinlochbervie, 1952, M.McC.W.)*

*Durness (Durness, 1887, E.S.M.)*

*Tongue (Tongue, 1833, H.C.W.)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1890, W.F.M.)*

**S. palustris** L. (107, 108) Marsh Woundwort

Ditches, marshes. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**S. sylvatica** L. (107, 108) Hedge Woundwort

Woods and damp shady places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**S. × ambigua** Sm. (*S. palustris* × *sylvatica*) (107, 108)

Ditches. Occasional.

————	LAIRG	————	DORNOCH	————	————	————	————
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Lamium L.

**L. amplexicaule** L. (107, 108) Henbit Dead-nettle

Cultivated fields. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	————	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**L. molucellifolium** Fr. (107, 108) Northern Dead-nettle

Cultivated fields. Occasional.

—	LAIRG	—	—	—	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**L. hybridum** Vill. (108) Cut-leaved Dead-nettle  
In cultivated field. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	FARR		

**L. purpureum** L. (107, 108) Red Dead-nettle  
Cultivated fields and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**L. album** L. (108) White Dead-nettle  
Waste places. Casual.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	—	—	—	—

*Eddrachillis* (*Kinlochbervie*, 1952, *M.McC.W.*)

*Durness* (*Durness*)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*, 1845, *H.M.McK.*, 1888, *A.G.*)

### Galeopsis L.

**G. tetrahit** L. (107, 108) Common Hemp-nettle  
Fields and waste places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DORNOCH	TONGUE	FARR			

**G. bifida** Boenn. (107, 108) Hemp-nettle  
Fields and waste places. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	DURNESS	—	FARR	—	—

**G. speciosa** Mill. (108) Large-flowered Hemp-nettle  
Fields and waste places. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	—	—	—	—	—

### Glechoma L.

**G. hederacea** L. (107, 108) Ground Ivy  
Woods. Occasional.

CREICH	—	ROGART	—	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
—	—	—	DURNESS	—	—	—	—



## Scutellaria L.

### **S. galericulata** L. (107, 108) Skullcap

Wet grassy places. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ROGART ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE ———

## Teucrium L.

### **T. scorodonia** L. (107, 108) Wood Sage

Woods, dry heaths, dunes and screes. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Ajuga L.

### **A. reptans** L. (107, 108) Bugle

Damp woods and banks. Ascends to 1400 ft on Ben Griam. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES ——— FARR

### **A. pyramidalis** L. (107, 108) Pyramidal Bugle

Ledges on basic rocks. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE ——— LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES ——— FARR

## PLANTAGINACEAE

### Plantago L.

### **P. major** L. (107, 108) Greater Plantain

Fields, roadsides and waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **P. lanceolata** L. (107, 108) Ribwort Plantain

Grassy places, dunes, roadsides and waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **P. maritima** L. (107, 108) Sea Plantain

Salt marshes, sea-cliffs, dunes, rocks and pastures on mountains.

Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. coronopus** L. (107, 108) Buck's-horn Plantain  
Sandy and stony places and cliffs by the sea. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Littorella** Berg.

**L. uniflora** (L.) Aschers. (107, 108) Shoreweed  
Sandy and gravelly shores of lakes. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**CAMPANULACEAE**

**Campanula** L.

**C. latifolia** L. (107) Giant Bellflower  
Woods. Rare.

*Golspie (Dunrobin)*

**C. rapunculoides** L. (107) Creeping Campanula or Creeping Bellflower  
Near gardens. Escape.

*Dornoch (Ferrytown)*

*Kildonan (Kildonan)*

**C. rotundifolia** L. (107, 108) Bluebell or Harebell  
Pastures, banks, dunes, heaths. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Lobelia** L.

**L. dortmanna** L. (107, 108) Water Lobelia  
Gravelly margins of lakes. Common.

—	LAIRG	ROGART	—	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**RUBIACEAE**

**Sherardia** L.

**S. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Field Madder  
Fields. Occasional.

CREICH	—	ROGART	—	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	TONGUE	—		

## Galium L.

### **G. odoratum** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Woodruff

Woods and shady banks. Occasional.

—	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. boreale** L. (107, 108) Northern Bedstraw

Banks of streams. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	—	—		

### **G. mollugo** L. sub sp. **mollugo** (107) Great Hedge Bedstraw

Roadsides. Introduced. Rare.

—	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

### sub sp. **erectum** Syme. (107) Erect Hedge Bedstraw

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1903, *G.C.D.*)

### **G. verum** L. (107, 108) Lady's Bedstraw

Dry grassy places and dunes. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. saxatile** L. (107, 108) Heath Bedstraw

Grassy places and heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. sternerii** Ehrend. (107, 108) Limestone Bedstraw or Slender Bedstraw

On calcareous grassland on hills. Occasional.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	—	FARR		

### **G. palustre** L. (107, 108) Common Marsh-bedstraw

Marshes and ditches. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. aparine** L. (107, 108) Cleavers or Goosegrass

Roadsides, waste places, shingle beaches. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## CAPRIFOLIACEAE

### Sambucus L.

**S. ebulus** L. (107) Dwarf Elder or Danewort

At roadside. Introduced. Rare.

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1962, *M.McC.W.*)

**S. nigra** L. (107, 108) Elder

Amongst scrub, roadsides and waste places. Always near houses.

Very sparse in the north and west. Introduced.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Viburnum L.

**V. opulus** L. (107, 108) Guelder Rose

Amongst scrub. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	_____	_____		

*Creich* (*Rosehall*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Glendhu*)

*Durness* (*Koeldale*)

### Symphoricarpos Duham

**S. rivularis** Suksd. (107, 108) Snowberry

Garden escape.

*Kildonan* (*Suisgill*)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*)

### Linnaea L.

**L. borealis** L. (107) Twinflower or Linnaea

In coniferous woods. Very rare.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____		

*Golspie* (*Golspie*, 1888, *J.G.*, 1960, *J.A.*)

### Lonicera L.

**L. periclymenum** L. (107, 108) Honeysuckle

Woods, hedges. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## ADOXACEAE

Adoxa L.

**A. moschatellina** L. (108) Moschatel or Townhall Clock  
*Assynt (Knockan, 1895, G.S.D.) No recent record.*

## VALERIANACEAE

Valerianella Mill.

**V. locusta** (L.) Betcke (107, 108) Common Cornsalad or Lamb's Lettuce  
Dunes and fields. Rare.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
_____	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

*Golspie (Strathsteven, 1888, J.G.)*

**Valeriana** L.

**V. officinalis** L. (107, 108) Common Valerian  
Ditches and amongst scrub. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## DIPSACACEAE

Knautia L.

**K. arvensis** (L.) Coult. (108) Field Scabious  
Fields and dunes. Occasional.

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_____	_____		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Succisa** Haller

**S. pratensis** Moench (107, 108) Devil's-bit Scabious  
Damp pastures, heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## COMPOSITAE

Senecio L.

**S. jacobaea** L. (107, 108) Common Ragwort  
Pastures, dunes, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

var. **discoideus** Koch. On the north coast.



**S. aquaticus** Hill (107, 108) Marsh Ragwort  
Marshes, ditches, banks of streams. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**S. sylvaticus** L. (107, 108) Heath or Wood Groundsel  
Open grassy places. Frequent in the east, sparse in north and west.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

**S. viscosus** L. (107) Sticky Groundsel or Stinking Groundsel  
Waste places. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—		—	—	—		

**S. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Groundsel  
Waste ground, gardens, cultivated fields. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Tussilago** L.

**T. farfara** L. (107, 108) Colt's-foot  
Waste places, screes, dunes, banks, shingle. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Petasites** Mill.

**P. albus** (L.) Gaertn. (107) White Butterbur  
On roadside. Garden escape.  
*Dornoch (Dornoch)*

### **Filago** L.

**F. germanica** (L.) L. (107) Common Cudweed  
Dry heaths. Very rare.

—	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
—	—		—	—	—		

*Clyne (Brora)*

**F. minima** (Sm.) Pers. (107) Slender Cudweed or Small Cudweed  
Sandy heaths and fields. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
—	—		—	—	—		

## Gnaphalium L.

### **G. sylvaticum** L. (107, 108) Heath or Wood Cudweed

Heaths and woods. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. supinum** L. (107, 108) Dwarf Cudweed

Bare places on mountain tops. Frequent.

CREICH	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **G. uliginosum** L. (107, 108) Marsh Cudweed

Damp fields and heaths. Occasional.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—		TONGUE	FARR		

## Antennaria Gaertn.

### **A. dioica** (L.) Gaertn. (107, 108) Mountain Everlasting or Cat's-foot

Dry pastures, heaths, dunes and on mountains. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Solidago L.

### **S. virgaurea** L. (107, 108) Goldenrod

Dunes, pastures, banks and rocks. From sea-level to 3000 ft. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Aster L.

### **A. tripolium** L. (107, 108) Sea Aster

Salt-marshes. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Bellis L.

### **B. perennis** L. (107, 108) Daisy

Grasslands, roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Eupatorium L.

**E. cannabinum** L. (108) Hemp-agrimony  
*Farr (Bettyhill, 1833, H.C.W.)*

## Anthemis L.

**A. tinctoria** L. (107) Yellow Chamomile  
On railway bank. Casual.  
*Creich (Invershin, 1890, E.S.M. & F.J.H.)*

## Achillea L.

**A. millefolium** L. (107, 108) Yarrow  
Fields, roadsides, dunes. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**A. ptarmica** L. (107, 108) Sneezewort  
Damp meadows, ditches. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Tripleurospermum Schultz Bip.

**T. maritimum** (L.) Koch (107, 108) Scentless Mayweed  
sub sp. **maritimum**

Dunes, shingle beaches and sea-cliffs. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

sub sp. **inodorum** (L.) Hyland. ex Vaarama  
Fields and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
—	—		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Matricaria L.

**M. recutita** L. (107) Scented Mayweed or Wild Chamomile  
Railway bank. Casual.  
*Golspie (Golspie, 1888, J.G.)*

**M. matricarioides** (Less.) Porter (107, 108) Pineapple weed or  
Rayless Mayweed  
Waysides, waste places, fields. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Chrysanthemum L.

#### **C. segetum** L. (107, 108) Corn Marigold

In cultivated fields. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

#### **C. leucanthemum** L. (107, 108) Oxeye Daisy

Fields, waysides, dunes. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

#### **C. parthenium** (L.) Bernh. (107, 108) Feverfew

Roadsides, walls. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

#### **C. vulgare** (L.) Bernh. (107, 108) Tansy

Waste places, near gardens. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Artemisia L.

#### **A. vulgaris** L. (107, 108) Mugwort

Fields and waste places near the sea. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

#### **A. absinthium** L. (108) Wormwood

In old neglected garden.

*Assynt (Achmelvich)*

### Arctium L.

#### **A. minus** Bernh. Lesser Burdock

sub sp. **nemorosum** (Lejeune) Syme (107, 108)

Waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Carduus L.

### **C. tenuiflorus** Curt. (107) Slender Thistle

Waste places near the sea. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **C. nutans** L. (108) Musk Thistle

*Casual (one plant)*

*Assynt (Lochinver)*

## Cirsium Mill.

### **C. vulgare** (Savi) Ten. (107, 108) Spear Thistle

Waste places, roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **C. palustre** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Marsh Thistle

Marshes, ditches, wet woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **C. arvense** (L.) Scop. (107, 108) Creeping Thistle

Fields, waste places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **C. heterophyllum** (L.) Hill (107, 108) Melancholy Thistle

Wet places by streams, on banks and hills. Frequent.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ ROGART \_\_\_\_\_ CLYNE \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Saussurea DC.

### **S. alpina** (L.) DC. (107, 108) Alpine Saw-wort or Alpine Saussurea

Mountain rocks and cliffs. Descends to 400 ft. Occasional.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Centaurea L.

### **C. scabiosa** L. (108) Greater Knapweed

Fields and dunes. Occasional on north coast.

\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR



**C. cyanus** L. (107, 108) Cornflower  
Cornfields. Rare. Extinct in v.c. 108.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	FARR		

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1899, *G.E.S.*)  
*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, 1888, *W.C.*)

**C. nigra** L. sub sp. **nigra** (107, 108) Common Knapweed or  
Lesser Knapweed  
Waysides, fields. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Lapsana** L.

**L. communis** L. (107, 108) Nipplewort  
Waysides, waste places and fields. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Hypochoeris** L.

**H. radicata** L. (107, 108) Cat's-ear  
Pastures, dunes, roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Leontodon** L.

**L. autumnalis** L. (107, 108) Autumn Hawkbit  
Pastures, dunes, roadsides. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

var. **autumnalis**. Roadsides and walls mainly in the east.

var. **pratensis**. Pastures in the north and west.

var. **simplex**. Short coastal turf on the north coast.

**L. hispidus** L. (107) Rough Hawkbit  
Pastures. Rare.

_____	_____	ROGART	_____	_____	_____	_____	KILDONAN
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	

*Rogart* (*Rogart*)  
*Kildonan* (*Helmsdale*)

**L. taraxacoides** (Vill) Mérat (108) Hairy Hawkbit or Lesser Hawkbit  
 On sandy ground. Rare.  
*Eddrachillis* (Sheigra, 1966, A.G.K.)

**Tragopogon L.**

**T. pratensis** L. sub sp. **minor** (Mill.) Wahlenb. (108) Goat's-beard  
 Dunes. Occasional.

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_____	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	TONGUE	FARR			

**Mycelis Cass.**

**M. muralis** (L.) Dumort. (107) Wall Lettuce  
 Roadside. Casual.  
*Dornoch* (Dornoch, 1966, J.A.)

**Sonchus L.**

**S. arvensis** L. (107, 108) Field Milk-Thistle or Perennial Sow-thistle  
 Cultivated fields, wet sandy shores. Occasional.

CREICH	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**S. oleraceus** L. (107, 108) Smooth Sow-Thistle  
 Cultivated fields and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**S. asper** (L.) Hill (107, 108) Prickly Sow-thistle  
 Cultivated fields, waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Hieracium L.**

Sub-genus **Pilosella** (Hill.) S. F. Gray  
 Section **Pilosellina** Pugsl.

**H. pilosella** L. (107, 108) Mouse-ear Hawkweed  
 Grassy places, banks, walls, heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

var. **concinatum** F. J. Hanb. (108)

*Assynt* (*Knockan*, 1958, *M.McC.W.*, *Inchnadamph*, 1959, *C.W.*,  
*Culkein-Drumbeg*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Oldshoremore*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)  
*Durness* (*Balnakeil*, 1959, *C.W.*)  
*Farr* (*Farr Bay*, 1959, *C.W.*)

var. **tricholepium** (Neag & Petes) Pugsl. (108)  
*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1959, *C.W.*, *Culkein-Drumbeg*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

Sub-genus **Hieracium**  
Section **Alpina** Fries

**H. holosericeum** Backh. (107, 108)  
Grassy slopes and rock-ledges at an altitude of 2500 ft or more.  
*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1827, *R.G.*)  
*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1900, *T.J.F.*, *Glass Beinn*, 1960, *A.G.K.*)  
*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1888, *J.C.M.*)

**H. eximium** Backh. var. **tenellum** Backh. (Druce) (108)  
On rocky ledges over 2000 ft.  
*Farr* (*Ben Klibreck*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

**H. gracilentum** Backh. (108)  
On rocky ledges or grassy slopes usually over 2500 ft.  
*Assynt* (*Canisp*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Craig Riabbach and An Grianan*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

**H. globosiflorum** Pugsl. var. **globosiflorum** Pugsl. (108)  
On rocky ledges and grassy slopes usually over 2500 ft.  
*Assynt* (*Canisp*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)  
*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

**H. marginatum** P. D. Sell & C. West (108)  
On rocky ledges usually over 2500 ft.  
*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)  
*Farr* (*Ben Klibreck*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

**H. pseudocurvatum** (Zahn) Pugsl. (108)  
On rocky ledges or grassy slopes usually over 2500 ft.  
*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1890, *E.F.L.*)  
*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

Section **Subalpina** Pugsl.

**H. lingulatum** Backh. ex Hook e Arnott (108)

Rocky ledges and stream sides over 2500 ft.

*Assynt* (*Hills round Inchnadamph, 1908, E.S.M., 1957, R.C.P.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope, 1888, F.J.H., Foinaven and Carnstackie, 1964, A.G.K.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal, 1897, E.S.M., 1953, C.W.*)

**H. hyparcticoides** Pugsl. (108)

Rocky banks by streams.

*Assynt* (*Hills and streams round Inchnadamph, 1890 & 1908, E.S.M., 1957, C.W.*)

**H. callistophyllum** F. J. Hanb. (107)

On stream sides and rocky ledges.

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge and Lubcroy, 1908, E.S.M.*)

Section **Cerinthoidea** Fries

**H. anglicum** Fries (107, 108)

Rocky ledges, grassy banks and stream sides.

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore, 1962, M.McC.W.*)

*Assynt* (*Knockan, Inchnadamph, 1908, E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Koeldale, Ben Hope, 1953, M.C.F.P. & K.M.G.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*)

*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1951, C.W.*)

**H. hebridense** Pugsl. (108)

Rocky streams, grassy banks and cliff-ledges.

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph, 1899, C.E.S., 1908, E.S.M., 1950, C.W.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope, H.W.P.*)

**H. ampliatum** (W. R. Linton) A. Ley (108)

Cliff-ledges and rocky streams.

*Assynt* (*Lochinver, 1890, E.S.M., Inchnadamph, 1908, E.S.M.*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Craig Riabbach, 1964, A.G.K.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope, Loch Eriboll, 1964, A.G.K.*)

*Tongue* (*Tongue Bay, 1897, E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Ben Klibreck, 1897, E.S.M.*)

**H. langwellense** F. J. Hanb. (107, 108)

Rocky banks of streams.

*Creich* (*Streams round Oykell Bridge, 1908, E.S.M., 1953, C.W.*)

*Lairg* (*Lairg, H.W.P.*)

*Kildonan* (*Torrish, 1957, M.McC.W., Helmsdale, 1888, E.F.L.*)

*Assynt* (*Streams round Inchnadamph, 1908, E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*)

**H. shoobredii** E. S. Marshall (108)

Rock-ledges and rocky banks of streams.

*Assynt* (Knockan, 1923, R.H.W., Elphin, Inchnadamph, 1899, C.E.S., 1908, E.S.M., 1950, C.W., 1956, R.A.G., Kylesku, 1890, F.J.H.)

*Eddrachillis* (Sandwood, 1957, M.McC.W., Craig Riabbach, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Durness* (Kearvaig & Koeldale, 1964, A.G.K., Durness, 1951, C.W., Smoo, 1923, R.H.W., 1951, C.W., Foinaven, 1964, C.W., Ben Hope, 1953, M.C.F.P.)

*Tongue* (Ben Loyal, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S., 1953, C.W.)

*Farr* (Invernaver, 1886, E.S.M., Bettyhill, 1888, E.F.L., 1955,

M.McC.W., Farr Bay, 1915, E.S.M., 1951, C.W.)

**H. iricum** Fries (107, 108)

Rock-ledges, rocky banks of streams and grassy slopes.

*Creich* (Oykell Bridge, 1953, C.W.)

*Assynt* (Knockan, Lochinver, Skiag Bridge, Stoer, Inchnadamph, 1956, R.A.G. & R.M.H.)

*Durness* (Durness, 1856, D.O., 1887, E.S.M., Balnakeil)

*Tongue* (Coldbackie)

*Farr* (Invernaver, 1891, E.S.M., Farr Bay, 1953, M.McC.W., Melvich, 1952, C.W. & J.W.C.)

Section **Oreadea** Zahn.

**H. schmidtii** Tausch (108)

*Eddrachillis* (Sandwood, 1960, A.G.K.)

*Farr* (Invernaver, 1886, E.S.M., Bettyhill, 1888, E.F.L., Farr Bay, 1952, C.W., Melvich, 1952, C.W.)

**H. nitidum** Backh. (107, 108)

Rocky ledges.

*Kildonan* (Ben Griam, 1900, E.S.M.)

*Assynt* (Unapool, 1908, E.S.M., Inchnadamph, 1908, E.S.M.,

*Culkein-Drumbeg*, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Eddrachillis* (Badcall, 1885, F.J.H., Oldshoremore & Rhiconich, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Durness* (Ben Hope, 1900, E.S.M., 1888, F.J.H., Fashven, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Tongue* (Tongue, 1901, E.S.M.)

*Farr* (Invernaver, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S., Farr Bay, 1915, E.S.M., 1915, C.W., Melvich, 1897, E.S.M.)

**H. argenteum** Fries (107, 108)

Rocky ledges, stream sides, grassy slopes and sand dunes.

*Creich* (Oykell Bridge, 1908, E.S.M.)

*Golspie* (Strathstevan, 1888, J.G., Golspie)



*Clyne* (*Brora*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

*Assynt* (*Knockan*, 1894, *G.C.D.*, *Inchnadamph*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Quinag*, 1962, *A.G.K.*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Sandwood*, 1962, *A.G.K.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1888, *F.J.H.*, *Loch Hope*, 1900, *E.S.M.*, *Durness*, 1946, *C.W.M.*)

*Tongue* (*Talmine*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Tongue*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Scullomie*, 1900, *E.S.M.*, *Coldbackie*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Skerray*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1888 & 1915, *E.S.M.*, *Bettyhill*, 1888, *W.R.L.*, 1899, *E.S.M.*, *Farr Bay*, 1951, *C.W.*, *Armadale*, 1915, *E.S.M.*, *Kirtomy*, *Melwich*, 1951, *C.W.*, *Strathy*, 1956, *J.A.*)

**H. scoticum** F. J. Hanb. (108)

Rocky ledges and grassy banks.

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1908, *W.A.S.*)

*Tongue* (*Skerray*, 1900, *W.A.S.*)

*Farr* (*Farr Bay*, 1897, *W.R.L.*, 1951, *C.W.*, *Kirtomy*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Armadale*, 1888, *W.R.L.*, *Strathy*, 1888, *J.C.M.*, 1915, *E.S.M.*, *Melwich*, 1915, *F.J.H.*, 1951, *C.W.*)

Section **Suboreadea** Pugsl.

**H. jovimontis** (Zahn) Roffey (108)

Rocky ledges and banks.

*Eddrachillis* (*Oldshoremore*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

*Durness* (*Heilam Ferry*, *F.J.H.*)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra* & *Bettyhill*, *T.J.F.*)

**H. saxorum** (F. J. Hanb.) Sell & West (107, 108)

Rocky ledges and stream sides.

*Dornoch* (*Mound*, 1962, *M.McC.W.*)

*Tongue* (*Kinloch*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

**H. dicella** Sell & West (107, 108)

Limestone rocks.

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*, 1962, *M.McC.W.*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1956, *R.A.G.* & *R.M.H.*)

*Durness* (*Durness*, 1956, *J.A.*, *Smoo*, 1951, *C.W.*)

**H. sarcophylloides** Dahlst. (108)

Limestone cliffs.

*Durness* (*Smoo*, 1900, *E.S.M.*, *Seamraig*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1888, *J.C.*)

Section **Vulgata** F. N. Williams

**H. prolixum** Noorlin (108)

Rocky ledges and sandhills.

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

*Tongue* (*Achininver*, 1897, *E.S.M.*)

**H. subtenuis** (W. R. Linton) Roffey (107, 108)

Rocky ledges and stream sides.

*Creich* (*Streams round Oykeell Bridge*, 1908, *W.A.S.*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Craig Riabbach*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

*Assynt* (*Stoer*, 1956, *R.A.G.*, *Canisp*, 1899, *C.E.S.*, *Inchnadamph*, 1908, *E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1900, *E.S.M.*, *Fashven*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

**H. aggregatum** Backh. (108)

Rocky ledges.

*Tongue* (*Skerray*, *E.S.M.*) *vide* *Pugsl.*

**H. campetopetalum** (F. J. Hanb.) Sell & West (108)

Rocky stream sides and cliffs.

*Assynt* (*Kylesku*, 1908, *E.S.M.*, *Inchnadamph*, 1908, *E.S.M.*, 1951, *C.W.*)

*Durness* (*Streams by Ben Hope*, 1888, *J.C.M.*, 1952, *C.W.*)

**H. duriceps** F. J. Hanb. (107, 108)

Rocky cliffs, stream sides and grassy banks.

*Creich* (*Oykeell Bridge*, 1952, *C.W.*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Alnaharra*, 1888, *F.J.H.*, *Ben Klibreck*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, *Bettyhill & Farr Bay*, 1910, *E.S.M.*)

**H. pollinarium** F. J. Hanb. (108)

Rocky ledges.

*Farr* (*Strathnaver*, 1888, *J.C.M.*, *Invernaver*, 1886, *F.J.H.*, *Farr Bay*, 1915, *E.S.M.*)

**H. pictorum** E. F. Linton (107, 108)

Rocky cliffs and stream sides.

*Creich* (*Oykeell Bridge*, 1908, *E.S.M.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1900, *E.S.M.*)

**H. pollinarioides** Pugsl. (108)

Limestone rocks.

*Assynt* (*Inverkirkraig*, 1944, *A.J.W.*, *Lochinver*, 1890, *E.S.M.*, 1944, *A.J.W.*, *Stoer*, 1956, *R.A.G.*, *Clashnessie*, 1956, *R.A.G.*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Oldshoremore*, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

*Durness (Smoo, 1923, R.H.W., 1958, U.K.D., Balnakeil, 1959, C.W., Durness, 1900, E.S.M.)*

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1953, M.McC.W.)*

**H. variicolor** var. **piligerum** Pugsl. (108)

Rocky cliffs and stream sides.

*Assynt (Culag, 1956, R.A.G., Inchnadamph, E.S.M.)*

*Durness (Ben Hope, 1900, E.S.M.)*

**H. dipteroides** Dahlst. (108)

Rocky cliffs and stream sides.

*Assynt (Beinn Garbh, 1908, W.A.S.)*

**H. rivale** F. J. Hanb. (107, 108)

Rocky cliffs and stream sides.

*Kildonan (Ben Griam Mor, 1963, M.McC.W.)*

*Assynt (Inchnadamph, 1890, F.J.H., 1908, E.S.M.)*

*Eddrachillis (Craig Riabbach, 1964, A.G.K.)*

*Durness (Carnstackie & Beinn Spionnaidh, 1964, A.G.K.)*

**H. euprepes** F. J. Hanb. (108)

Rocky places, sand dunes and grassy banks.

*Assynt (Stoer, 1956, R.A.G.)*

*Eddrachillis (Cnoc na Glaic Torsain, 1964, A.G.K.)*

*Durness (Balnakeil, 1953, M.C.F.P., Carnstackie & Farmheal, 1964, A.G.K.)*

*Tongue (Tongue Ferry, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S., 1900, E.S.M.)*

*Farr (Invernaver, 1888, W.R.L., Armadale, 1915, E.S.M., Melvich, 1897, E.S.M., Bettyhill, 1897, W.A.S.)*

**H. vennicantium** Pugsl. (108)

Rocky stream sides.

*Assynt (Ben Garbh, 1908, E.S.M.)*

**H. caesiomurorum** Lindeb. (108)

Grassy banks and rocky stream sides.

*Creich (1908, E.S.M.)*

*Assynt (Clachtoll, 1952, D.McC., Inchnadamph, 1900, C.E.S.)*

*Durness (Smoo, 1964, A.G.K.)*

*Tongue (Tongue & Ben Loyal, 1900, E.S.M.)*

*Farr (Forsinard, 1964, A.G.K.)*

**H. rubiginosum** F. J. Hanb. (108)

Rocky stream sides.

*Eddrachillis (Craig Ribbach & Rhiconich, 1962, A.G.K.)*

**H. cravoniense** (F. J. Hanb.) Roffey (107, 108)

Grassy and rocky places.

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge, F.J.H.*)

*Dornoch* (*Torboll, 1955, J.A.*)

*Tongue* (*Ardskeinid, 1900, E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Farr Bay, 1951, C.W.*)

**H. fulvocaesium** Pugsl. (108)

Grassy banks.

*Farr* (*Bettyhill, 1887, E.S.M., 1953, J.E.R.*)

**H. proximium** F. J. Hanb. (108)

Sandhills.

*Tongue* (*Melness, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S.*)

**H. caledonicum** F. J. Hanb. (108)

On rocky ledges and stream sides.

*Assynt* (*Lochinver & Canisp, 1890, E.S.M., Inchnadamph, 1887, E.S.M., 1908, E.S.M. & W.A.S., 1951, C.W.*)

*Durness* (*Balnakeil, 1948, M.McC.W., Fashven, Inshore, Kearvaig, 1964, A.G.K.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal, Melness, Tongue, 1897, E.S.M., Coldbackie, 1900, E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra, 1888, F.J.H., Strathnaver, 1888, J.C.M., Bettyhill, Kirtomy, Melvich, 1897, E.S.M., Farr Bay, 1915, E.S.M., Strathy, 1915, E.S.M.*)

**H. vulgatum** Fries (107, 108)

On rocks, grassy places, walls and dunes.

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge, 1952, C.W. & J.W.C.*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie, 1950, C.W.*)

*Clyne* (*Brora, 1950, C.W. & J.W.C.*)

*Kildonan* (*Ord, 1960, J.A.*)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph & Kylesku, 1908, E.S.M., Knockan, 1958, M.McC.W., Lochinver, Stoer & Clashnessie, 1956, R.A.G. & R.M.H.,*

*Loch Assynt, 1953, P.F.Y., Achmelvich, 1955, J.A., 1943, A.J.W.*)

*Tongue* (*Melness, 1897, E.S.M.*)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill, 1886, E.S.M., 1953, C.W. & J.W.C.*)

**H. angustisquamum** (Pugsl.) Pugsl. (108)

On limestone.

*Assynt* (*Ledmore, 1964, A.G.K.*)

Section **Alpestria** Fries

**H. dovrense** Fries (108)

Rocky ledges.

*Eddrachillis* (*Rhiconich*, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, 1897, E.S.M., 1953, J.E.R.)

Section **Tridentata** Fries

**H. sparsifolium** Lindeb. (107, 108)

Grassy banks and rocky places.

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge*, 1890, E.S.M., 1956, C.W.)

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1923, R.H.W.)

*Eddrachillis* (*Laxford Bridge*)

*Durness* (*Kearvaig*, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*, 1953, M.McC.W.)

Section **Foliosa** Pugsl.

**H. latobrigorum** (Zahn) Roffey (107, 108)

Grassy banks and rocks.

*Creich* (*Bonar Bridge*, H.W.P., *Oykell Bridge*, 1953, C.W.)

*Clyne* (*Strath Brora*, 1897, W.A.S.)

*Durness* (*Koeldale*, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*, H.W.P.)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1887, E.S.M., *Strathnaver*, 1957, J.A., *Bettyhill*, 1952, C.W., *Farr*, 1856, D.O., *Armadale*, *Strathy*, 1953, C.W., *Melvich*, 1953, C.W.)

**H. subcrocatum** (E. F. Linton) Roffey (107, 108)

Grassy places and banks of streams.

*Clyne* (*Brora*, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Assynt* (*Inverkirkaig*, *Achmelvich*, 1944, A.J.W. & M.S.C.)

*Farr* (*Bettyhill*, 1954, J.E.R.)

**H. strictiforme** (Zahn) Roffey (108)

Grassy places and banks of streams.

*Assynt* (*Inverkirkaig*, 1944, A.J.W. & M.S.C., *Inchnadamph*, 1953, C.W.)

*Durness* (*Inshore*, *Geodha Sligeach*, 1964, A.G.K.)

*Tongue* (*Melness*, *Tongue*, *Coldbackie*, 1897, E.S.M.)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1889, W.F.M., 1897, E.S.M.)

**H. reticulatum** Lindeb. (107, 108)

Rocky banks of streams and grassy places.

*Creich* (*Oykell Bridge*, 1953, C.W.)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*, 1897, E.S.M., *Skerry*, 1959, C.W.)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1887, E.S.M., *Bettyhill*, 1951, C.W., *Strathy*, 1915, E.S.M., 1951, C.W.)



**H. maritimum** (F. J. Hanb.) F. J. Hanb. (108)

Grassy banks and sandy places.

*Tongue* (Skerray, 1900, E.S.M.)

*Farr* (Melvich, 1887, E.S.M., 1951, C.W.)

Section **Umbellata** F. N. Williams

**H. umbellatum** L. (108)

sub sp. **umbellatum**

Grassy and sandy places.

*Farr* (*Farr Bay*, 1827, R.G.)

**Crepis** L.

**C. capillaris** (L.) Wallr. (107, 108) Smooth Hawk's-beard

Pastures, dunes, waste places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**C. paludosa** (L.) Moench (107, 108) Marsh Hawk's-beard

Wet grassy places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Taraxacum** Weber

**T. officinale** Weber. (107, 108) Common Dandelion

Fields, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. palustre** (Lyons) DC. (107, 108) Narrow-leaved Marsh Dandelion

Marshes. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
—	—		—	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. spectabile** Dahlst. (107, 108) Broad-leaved Marsh Dandelion

Bogs. Frequent.

—	—	—	—	—	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**T. laevigatum** (Willd.) DC. (107, 108) Lesser Dandelion

Heaths and sandy ground. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## MONOCOTYLEDONES

### JUNCAGINACEAE

#### Triglochin L.

**T. palustris** L. (107, 108) Marsh Arrowgrass

Marshes and wet meadows. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**T. maritima** L. (107, 108) Sea Arrowgrass

Salt marshes. Frequent.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

### ZOSTERACEAE

#### Zostera L.

**Z. marina** L. (107, 108) Eelgrass

In the sea near low water. Very rare.

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ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____		

*Golspie (Loch Fleet, 1888, J.G.)*

*Assynt (Oldany, 1955, B.F.)*

**Z. angustifolia** (Hornem.) Reichb. (107, 108) Narrow-leaved Eelgrass

Muddy estuaries. Very rare.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	TONGUE	FARR		

*Golspie (Loch Fleet, 1897, E.S.M., 1888, J.G.)*

*Tongue (Kyle of Tongue, 1900, E.S.M.)*

**Z. noltii** Hornem. (107) Dwarf Eelgrass

Muddy estuaries. Very rare.

_____	_____	_____	_____	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____		

*Golspie (Loch Fleet, 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S.)*

### POTAMOGETONACEAE

#### Potamogeton L.

**P. natans** L. (107, 108) Broad-leaved Pondweed

Lochs and lochans. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. polygonifolius** Pourr. (107, 108) Bog Pondweed  
Peaty pools in bogs and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**P. lucens** L. (108) Shining Pondweed  
*Assynt* (Recorded by A. Gray, 1886)

**P. gramineus** L. (108) Various-leaved Pondweed  
Lochs and lochans. Occasional.

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

*Assynt* (Loch Awe, 1886, A.G., 1890, E.S.M., Stoer, 1944, A.J.W. & M.S.C.)

*Durness* (Durness, 1881, W.F.M.)

*Tongue* (Lochs Modsarie, Craigs, Hakel & Dubh, 1948, G.T.)

*Farr* (Loch Naver, 1888, F.J.H. & J.C.M.)

**P. × nitens** Weber (108)  
Lochs and lochans. Rare.

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS TONGUE

*Assynt* (Lochinver, 1886, A.G., Loch an Aigeil, 1944, A.J.W. & M.S.C.)

*Eddrachillis* (Scourie, 1885, H.E.F. & F.J.H.)

*Tongue* (Loch Modsarie, 1948, G.T.)

**P. alpinus** Balb. (108) Red Pondweed  
Lochans. Rare.

ASSYNT TONGUE

*Assynt* (Loch an Aigeal, 1948, A.J.W. & M.S.C.)

*Tongue* (Loch Slaim, 1948, G.T.)

**P. praelongus** Wulf. (108) Long-stalked Pondweed  
In lochs. Rare.

CREICH DURNNESS TONGUE

ASSYNT DURNNESS

*Creich* (Loch Sail, 1969, U.K.D.)

*Assynt* (Loch Maol a Choire, 1936, J.E.L., Gillaroo Loch, 1890, E.S.M.)

*Durness* (Loch Borrallie, 1948, G.T.)

**P. perfoliatus** L. (107, 108) Perfoliate Pondweed  
In lochs. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE ———

*Creich* (*Bonar Bridge*, 1842, *J.S.*, *Loch Sail*, 1969, *U.K.D.*)

*Assynt* (*Loch Awe*, 1886, *A.G.*, 1890, *F.J.H.* & *E.S.M.*, *Loch Borralan*, 1886, *A.G.*, *Loch an Ordain* & *Loch Bad na Muirichinn*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*)

*Durness* (*Loch Croispol* & *Borralie*, 1948, *G.T.*, 1881, *W.F.M.*)

*Tongue* (*Lochs Modsarie* & *Craigs*, 1948, *G.T.*)

**P. × cognatus** Aschers. & Graebn. (108)

Lochs. Very rare.

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DURNESS ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Durness* (*Loch Borralie*, 1948, *G.T.*)

**P. berchtoldii** Fieb. (108) Small Pondweed

In lochs. Rare.

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ASSYNT ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Assynt* (*Loch an Aigeil*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*)

**P. crispus** L. (108) Curled Pondweed

Lochs. Rare.

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EDDRACHILLIS ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Eddrachillis* (*Sandwood*)

**P. filiformis** Pers. (108) Slender-leaved Pondweed

In lochs. Rare.

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ASSYNT ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
DURNESS ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Assynt* (*Loch Urigill*, 1886, *W.F.M.*, *Loch an Aigeil*, 1944, *A.J.W.* & *M.S.C.*)

*Durness* (*Loch Caladail*, 1885, *H.E.F.* & *F.J.H.*, *Loch Borralie*, 1948, *G.T.*)

**P. pectinatus** L. (108) Fennel Pondweed

In lochs. Rare.

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DURNESS ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

*Durness* (*Loch Borralie*, 1948, *G.T.*)

## RUPPIACEAE

Ruppia L.

**R. maritima** L. (107) Beaked Tasselweed or Tassel Pondweed  
In salt-marsh. Very rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_

*Golspie (Little Ferry, 1962, M. McC.W.)*

## LILIACEAE

Tofieldia Huds.

**T. pusilla** (Michx.) Pers. (108) Scottish Asphodel  
Marshes and by springs on hills. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

*Durness (Durness, Ben Hope)*

**Narthecium** Huds.

**N. ossifragum** (L.) Huds. (107, 108) Bog Asphodel  
Bogs and wet heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Ornithogalum** L.

**O. umbellatum** L. (107) Star-of-Bethlehem  
Introduced.

*Clyne (Brora)*

**Scilla** L.

**S. verna** Huds. (108) Spring Squill  
Grassy turf near the sea. Occasional on the north coast.

\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE \_\_\_\_\_ FARR \_\_\_\_\_

**Endymion** Dumort.

**E. non-scriptus** (L.) Gareke (107, 108) Bluebell or Wild Hyacinth  
In woods and amongst scrub. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR



## TRILLIACEAE

Paris L.

**P. quadrifolia** L. (108) Herb-Paris  
*Assynt* (*Islet in Loch Awe, 1895, G.C.D.*)

## JUNACEAE

Juncus L.

**J. squarrosus** L. (107, 108) Heath Rush  
Heaths and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. tenuis** Willd. (108) Slender Rush  
Bare place by paths. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	_____	_____		

*Assynt* (*Lochinver*)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Kylesku*)  
*Durness* (*Durness*)

**J. gerardii** Lois. (107, 108) Saltmarsh Rush or Mud Rush  
Salt-marshes. Frequent.

CREICH	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. trifidus** L. (107, 108) Three-leaved Rush  
Rock-ledges and stony places on many western hills. Ascends to 3000 ft.  
Occasional.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. bufonius** L. (107, 108) Toad Rush  
Roadsides, paths, muddy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. effusus** L. (107, 108) Soft Rush  
Wet pastures, bogs. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. conglomeratus** L. (107, 108) Compact Rush  
Wet pastures, bogs. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. balticus** Willd. (107, 108) Baltic Rush

Dune slacks. Occasional.

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_____	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. acutiflorus** Ehrh. ex Hoffm. (107, 108) Sharp-flowered Rush

Wet meadows, moors and woods. Frequent.

CREICH	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. articulatus** L. (107, 108) Jointed Rush

Marshes, wet meadows. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. alpinoarticulatus** Chaix (108) Alpine Rush

Marshy places on mountains. Rare.

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ASSYNT	_____	_____	TONGUE	_____	_____	_____	_____

*Assynt* (*Inchnadamph*, 1887, *E.S.M.*)

*Tongue* (*Ben Loyal*, *R.M.*)

**J. bulbosus** L. (107, 108) Bulbous Rush

Wet bare places in heaths and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**J. kochii** F. W. Schultz (107, 108)

Wet heathy places. Ascends to 2000 ft. Occasional in west.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	_____	FARR		

**J. castaneus** Sm. (107) Chestnut Rush

Marshes and springs. 2500 ft. Very rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1960, *D.A.R.*)

**J. biglumis** L. (107) Two-flowered Rush

Stony places on hills at 2500 ft. Very rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1960, *D.A.R.*)

**J. triglumis** L. (107, 108) Three-flowered Rush  
Wet rock-ledges on mountains. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS ——— ———

*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1827, *R.G.*, 1959, *D.A.R.*)

*Assynt* (*Conival*, 1886, *A.G.*, 1890, *E.S.M.*)

*Durness* (*Ben Hope*, 1957, *R.E.C.F.*)

### **Luzula** DC.

**L. pilosa** (L.) Willd. (107, 108) Hairy Wood-rush  
Woods. Frequent in east, sparse in west.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT ——— ——— ——— DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**L. sylvatica** (Huds.) Gaudin. (107, 108) Great Wood-rush  
Woods, shady rocky places by streams. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**L. spicata** (L.) DC. (107, 108) Spiked Wood-rush  
Rocky ledges on many western hills. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*)

*Lairg* (*Ben Hee*)

*Kildonan* (*Ben Griam*)

**L. arcuata** Sw. (107, 108) Curved Wood-rush  
Stony ground on mountains, about 3000 ft. Very rare.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
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*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1824, *R.G.*, 1899, *C.E.S.*)

*Durness* (*Foinaven, summit*, 1824, *R.G.*)

**L. campestris** (L.) DC. (107, 108) Field Wood-rush  
Grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**L. multiflora** (Retz.) Lejeune (107, 108) Heath Wood-rush or  
Many-headed Wood-rush  
Heaths, woodland. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## AMARYLLIDACEAE

Allium L.

**A. ursinum** L. (107, 108) Ramsons or Garlic  
 Damp woods, shady places. Occasional.

— LAIRG ROGART — GOLSPIE — — — — —  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## IRIDACEAE

Iris L.

**I. pseudacorus** L. (107, 108) Yellow Iris or Yellow Flag  
 Marshes, swamps, stream sides. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Crocosmia** Planch.

**C. × crocosmiflora** (Lemoine) N. E. Br. (107, 108) Montbretia  
 Introduced. Occasional.

— — — — — GOLSPIE CLYNE — — — KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS — — — FARR

## ORCHIDACEAE

Cephalanthera Rich.

**C. longifolia** (L.) Fritsch (108) Narrow-leaved or Long-leaved Helleborine  
 Woods. Rare.

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 ASSYNT — — — — — — — — —  
*Assynt (Inverkirkaig & Lochinver)*

**Epipactis** Sw.

**E. helleborine** (L.) Crantz. (108) Broad-leaved Helleborine  
 Woods. Rare.

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 ASSYNT — — — — — TONGUE — — — — —  
*Assynt (Achmelvich)*  
*Tongue (Melness & Tongue)*

**E. atrorubens** (Hoffm.) Schult. (108) Dark-red Helleborine

Limestone rocks and screes. Occasional.

ASSYNT ——— DURNESS TONGUE FARR

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

*Durness (Koelldale & Smoo)*

*Tongue (Melness)*

*Farr (Invernaver)*

**Listera R. Br.**

**L. ovata (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Common Twayblade**

Damp sandy pastures. Frequent.

CREICH ——— DORNOCH ——— KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**L. cordata (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Lesser Twayblade**

Pine woods and moorland under heather. Sparsely but widely distributed. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Goodyera R. Br.**

**G. repens (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Creeping Lady's-tresses**

Pine woods. Occasional.

CREICH ——— DORNOCH GOLSPIE ———

————— TONGUE ———

**Hammarbya Kuntze**

**H. paludosa (L.) Kuntze (107, 108) Bog Orchid**

In wet moss on moors and in bogs. Rare.

CREICH LAIRG ——— KILDONAN

ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE ———

*Creich (Oykell Bridge, 1833, R.G., Shin Bridge, 1943, A.T.)*

*Lairg (Lairg, 1957, I.H.)*

*Kildonan (Torrish, 1962, M.McC.W.)*

*Assynt (Lochinver, 1890, E.S.M.)*

*Eddrachillis (Kylesku, 1943, A.T., Loch Stack, 1964, D.A.R.)*

*Durness (Eriboll)*

*Tongue (Scullomie, 1890, E.S.M., Ben Loyal, 1943, A.T.)*

**Coeloglossum Hartm.**

**C. viride (L.) Hartm. (107, 108) Frog Orchid**



Sandy pastures by the sea. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Gymnadenia R. Br.**

**G. conopsea** (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Fragrant Orchid  
sub sp. **conopsea**

Grassland and heaths. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Leucorchis E. Mey**

**L. albida** (L.) E. Mey. ex schur (107, 108) Small white Orchid  
Pastures. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Platanthera Rich.**

**P. chlorantha** (Custer) Reichb. (107, 108) Greater Butterfly-orchid  
Wet pastures. Occasional.

CREICH	LAIRG	—	—	—	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**P. bifolia** (L.) Rich (107, 108) Lesser Butterfly-orchid  
Wet pastures. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Orchis L.**

**O. mascula** (L.) L. (107, 108) Early-purple Orchid  
Pastures. Frequent.

—	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	—	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### **Dactylorchis (Klinge) Vermeul.**

**D. fuchsii** (Druce) Vermeul. (107, 108) Common Spotted-orchid  
Damp meadows. Frequent.

—	—	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		



Lochans. Rare.

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ASSYNT \_\_\_\_\_ FARR

**S. angustifolium** Michx. (107, 108) Floating Bur-reed

Lochs. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_ \_ ROGART DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**S. minimum** Wallr. (107, 108) Least Bur-reed or Small Bur-reed

Lochans. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## TYPHACEAE

Typha L.

**T. latifolia** L. (107) Bulrush or Great Reedmace

In a pond. Rare.

\_\_\_\_ \_ \_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Dornoch (Dornoch, 1955, J.A.)*

## CYPERACEAE

Eriophorum L.

**E. angustifolium** Honck. (107, 108) Common Cottongrass

Bog pools. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**E. latifolium** Hoppe (107, 108) Broad-leaved Cottongrass

Wet places on basic soil. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_ TONGUE \_\_\_\_\_

**E. vaginatum** L. (107, 108) Hare's-tail Cottongrass

Wet places on heaths and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

Scirpus L.

**S. caespitosus** L. (107, 108) Deergrass

Wet heaths. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**S. lacustris** L. (107, 108) Common Club-rush or Bulrush

Lochs. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ——— ——— ——— CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— ——— TONGUE FARR

**S. setaceus** L. (107, 108) Bristle Club-rush

Damp bare places. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— ——— TONGUE FARR

**S. fluitans** L. (108) Floating Club-rush or Floating Spike-rush

Marshes and lochans. Frequent near north and west coasts.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**Eleocharis** R. Br.

**E. quinqueflora** (F. X. Hartmann.) Schwarz (107, 108)

Few-flowered Spike-rush

Damp peaty places on moors. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE ——— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. multicaulis** (Sm.) Sm. (107, 108) Many-stalked Spike-rush

Wet peaty places in bogs. Occasional.

CREICH LAIRG ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. palustris** (L.) Roem. & Schult. (107, 108) Common Spike-rush

Margins of lochs. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**E. uniglumis** (Link) Schult. (107, 108) Slender Spike-rush

Marshes near the sea. Rare.

————— ——— ——— DORNOCH ——— ——— ——— ———  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS ——— TONGUE FARR

*Assynt (Inverkirkaig, Lochinver)*

*Eddrachillis (Laxford Bridge)*

*Tongue (Melness)*

*Farr (Invernaver, Altnaharra, Melvich)*

## Blysmus Panz.

**B. rufus** (Huds.) Link (107, 108) Narrow Blysmus or  
Saltmarsh Flat-sedge  
Grassy salt marshes. Frequent.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Schoenus L.

**S. nigricans** L. (107, 108) Black Bog-rush  
Damp peaty places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Rhynchospora Vahl

**R. alba** (L.) Vahl (107, 108) White Beak-sedge  
Wet peaty places. Occasional.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Cladium Browne

**C. mariscus** (L.) Pohl (108) Great Fen-sedge or Saw Sedge  
In a peaty pool. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_  
*Eddrachillis (between Kylestromie & Badcall)*

## Carex L.

**C. laevigata** Sm. (107, 108) Smooth-stalked Sedge  
Marshes. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_

*Eddrachillis (Loch Laxford, 1955, A.S., Handa Is., 1953, H.H.)  
Kildonan (Kildonan, 1956, Torrish, 1962, M.McC.W.)*

**C. distans** L. (108) Distant Sedge  
Marshes near the sea. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS DURNES FARR  
*Eddrachillis (Kinlochbervie, Sheigra, 1948, M.McC.W.)  
Durness (Balnakeil, 1948, M.McC.W.)*



**C. hostiana** DC. (107, 108) Tawny Sedge

Marshes, wet pastures and moors. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. binervis** Sm. (107, 108) Green-ribbed Sedge

Heaths and moors. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. lepidocarpa** Tausch (107, 108) Long-stalked Yellow Sedge

Wet heaths. Frequent.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR KILDONAN

**C. demissa** Hornem (107, 108) Common Yellow Sedge

Stony places and grassland. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. scandinavica** E. W. Davies (108) Northern Yellow Sedge

Rocky places. Rare.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_

*Eddrachillis* (Sheigra & Sandwood, 1951, M.McC.W., Rhiconich, 1963, A.G.K.)

**C. serotina** Mérat (107, 108) Small-fruited Yellow Sedge or

Dwarf Yellow Sedge

Damp sandy places. Occasional.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DORNOCH GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
 DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. extensa** Gooden. (107, 108) Long-bracted Sedge

Grassy salt marshes. Occasional.

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 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_  
 DURNNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. sylvatica** Huds. (107, 108) Wood Sedge

Woods. Rare.

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 LAIRG ROGART \_\_\_\_\_  
 EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_

*Lairg* (Loch Shin)

*Rogart (Strath Fleet)*  
*Eddrachillis (Kylesku)*

**C. capillaris** L. (107, 108) Hair Sedge

Wet grassy places on basic soil. Mainly on north and west coast.  
 Frequent.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR				

**C. rostrata** Stokes (107, 108) Bottle Sedge

Margins of lochans and marshes. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**C. vesicaria** L. (107) Bladder Sedge

Margins of lochs. Rare.

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*Clyne (Loch Brora, 1957, W.A.T.)*  
*Kildonan (Kildonan, 1957, M.McC.W.)*

**C. saxatilis** L. (107, 108) Russet Sedge

Mountain bogs. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Creich (Ben More Assynt at 2700 ft, 1960, D.A.R.)*  
*Farr (Ben Klibreck, 1952, J.R.)*

**C. pallescens** L. (107, 108) Pale Sedge

Wet woods. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**C. panicea** L. (107, 108) Carnation Sedge

Wet grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**C. vaginata** Tausch (108) Sheathed Sedge

Wet rocky places. Rare.

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*Eddrachillis (Oldshoremore, 1833, W.H.C.)*  
*Durness (Foinaven, 1957, E.A.B.)*

**C. limosa** L. (107, 108) Bog Sedge or Mud Sedge

Muddy margins of lochans. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ROGART ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**C. flacca** Schreb. (107, 108) Glaucous Sedge or Carnation grass

Calcareous grassland. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**C. lasiocarpa** Ehr. (107, 108) Slender Sedge

Swamps and loch margins. Occasional.

CREICH ——— ROGART ——— ——— ——— ———  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**C. pilulifera** L. (107, 108) Pill Sedge

Grassy and heathy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**C. caryophylla** Latourr. (108) Spring Sedge

Calcareous pastures. Occasional.

ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES ——— FARR

*Assynt (Hills round Inchnadamph)*

*Eddrachillis (Scourie, Rhiconich)*

*Farr (Invernaver)*

**C. acuta** L. (108) Slender Tufted Sedge

In bog. Very rare.

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————— ——— ——— ——— ——— FARR

*Farr (Altnaharra, 1963, C.R.L.)*

**C. aquatilis** Wahlenb. (108) Water Sedge or Straight-leaved Sedge

Margins of streams. Rare.

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————— ——— ——— ——— ——— FARR

*Farr (Altnaharra, 1882, H.E.F. & F.J.H., 1897, E.S.M. & W.A.S., 1900, E.S.M., 1907 & 1915, G.C.D.)*

**C. recta** Boott (107) Estuarine Sedge

On silt. Very rare.

*Dornoch (Loch Fleet)*

**C. nigra** (L.) Reichard (107, 108) Common Sedge

Wet grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. bigelowii** Torr. ex Schwein. (107, 108) Stiff Sedge

Damp stony places on the higher hills. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG \_\_\_\_\_ KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. paniculata** L. (108) Greater Tussock Sedge or Panicked Sedge

Wet grass. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ EDDRACHILLIS \_\_\_\_\_

*Eddrachillis* (Sandwood, 1948, *M.McC.W.*, Handa, 1962, *B.S.B.*, Eriboll, 1964, *A.G.K.*)

**C. diandra** Schrank (107) Lesser Tussock Sedge or Lesser Fox Sedge

In bog. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ ROGART \_\_\_\_\_

*Rogart* (*Rogart*, 1950, *M.McC.W.*)

**C. disticha** Huds. (107, 108) Brown Sedge

In wet grass. Rare.

CREICH \_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS \_\_\_\_\_

*Creich* (*Invershin*, 1907, *G.C.D.*)

*Durness* (*Durness*)

**C. arenaria** L. (107, 108) Sand Sedge

Sandy sea-shores. Frequent.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. chordorrhiza** L. f. (108) String Sedge

In sphagnum bogs. Very rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ FARR \_\_\_\_\_

*Farr* (*Altnaharra*, 1897, *E.S.M.* & *W.A.S.*, *Mudale*, 1907, *G.C.D.*)

**C. maritima** Gunn (107, 108) Curved Sedge

On sandy sea-shores. Occasional.

\_\_\_\_\_ DORNOCH \_\_\_\_\_ CLYNE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ DURNESS TONGUE FARR

*Dornoch (Dornoch)*  
*Clyne (Brora)*  
*Durness (Koeldale)*  
*Tongue (Scullomia, Melness)*  
*Farr (Invernaver)*

**C. echinata** Murr. (107, 108) Star Sedge  
 Moors and bogs. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. remota** L. (107, 108) Remote Sedge  
 Wet shady places. Rare.

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 ASSYNT ———— ———— ———— ———— ————

*Dornoch (Cambusmore, 1960, J.A.)*  
*Clyne (Brora, 1958, M.McC.W.)*  
*Kildonan (Suisgill, 1958, M.McC.W.)*  
*Assynt (Lochinver, Stoer, 1944, A.J.W.)*

**C. curta** Gooden. (107, 108) White Sedge  
 Bogs and marshes. Frequent.

————— ———— ROGART DORNOCH ———— CLYNE ———— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. ovalis** Gooden. (107, 108) Oval Sedge  
 Rough grassy and waste places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. rupestris** All. (108) Rock Sedge  
 Ledges on limestone rocks. From 50 ft on sea-cliffs to 1500 ft on hills  
 round Inchnadamph. Rare.

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 ASSYNT ———— DURNESS ———— ———— ————  
*Assynt (Inchnadamph, 1890, E.S.M., Knockan, 1895, G.C.D., 1960, J.A.)*  
*Durness (Durness, 1865, I.B., Heilam Ferry & Smoo, 1960, D.A.R.)*

**C. pauciflora** Lightf. (107, 108) Few-flowered Sedge  
 In bogs. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ———— ———— ———— ———— KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. pulicaris** L. (107, 108) Flea Sedge  
 In damp places. Common, widespread.



CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**C. dioica** L. (107, 108) Dioecious Sedge

On moors and bogs. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**GRAMINEAE**

Phragmites Adans.

**P. communis** Trin. (107, 108) Common Reed

In swamps. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Molinia** Schrank

**M. caerulea** (L.) Moench (107, 108) Purple Moor-grass

Wet places on heaths and mountains. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Sieglingia** Bernh.

**S. decumbens** (L.) Bernh. (107, 108) Heath-grass

On peaty and sandy soils. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**Glyceria** R. Br.

**G. fluitans** (L.) R. Br. (107, 108) Floating Sweet-grass or Flote-grass

In shallow water, ditches, ponds. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
 ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNESS TONGUE FARR

**G. plicata** Fr. (107, 108) Plicate Sweet-grass

In ditches. Rare.

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 ————— EDDRACHILLIS ————— ————— —————

*Kildonan (Helmsdale)*

*Eddrachillis (Handa)*

**G. declinata** Bréb. (107) Small Sweet-grass or Glaucous Sweet-grass

In muddy pools. Rare.

LOTH

*Loth (Portgower)*

**G. maxima** (Hartm.) Holmberg. (107) Reed Sweet-grass

Margins of streams. Rare.

DORNOCH

*Dornoch (Cambusmore)*

### Festuca L.

**F. pratensis** Huds. (107) Meadow Fescue

Damp meadows. Rare.

CREICH

CLYNE

KILDONAN

**F. arundinacea** Schreb. (107, 108) Tall Fescue

Grassy places near the sea. Rare.

DORNOCH

FARR

**F. rubra** L. (107, 108) Red Fescue or Creeping Fescue

Grassland, heaths, dunes, salt-marshes. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**F. ovina** L. (107, 108) Sheep's-fescue

Grassy places. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**F. tenuifolia** Sibth. (107, 108) Fine-leaved Sheep's-fescue

Grassy places. Common.

CREICH LAIRG CLYNE KILDONAN  
ASSYNT TONGUE FARR

**F. vivipara** (L.) Sm. (107, 108) Viviparous Fescue

Pastures on mountains. At sea-level on north coast. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### Lolium L.

**L. perenne** L. (107, 108) Perennial Rye-grass

Grassy and waste places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**L. multiflorum** Lam. (107, 108) Italian Rye-grass

Fields and waysides. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**Vulpia** C. C. Gmel.

**V. bromoides** (L.) Gray (107, 108) Barren Fescue or Squirreltail Fescue

Waste places, heaths. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—		—	TONGUE	FARR		

**V. myuros** (L.) C. C. Gmel. (107) Rat's-tail Fescue

Casual.

*Rogart (Rogart, 1961, M.McC.W.)*

**Puccinellia** Parl.

**P. maritima** (Huds.) Parl. (107, 108) Common Saltmarsh-grass or

Sea Poa

Salt-marshes. Occasional.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
—	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

**P. distans** (L.) Parl. (108) Reflexed Poa or Reflexed Saltmarsh-grass

Salt marsh. Rare.

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—	—		DURNESS	—	FARR		

*Durness (Durness, D.McC., 1966)*

**Catapodium** Link

**C. marinum** (L.) C. E. Hubbard (108) Darnel Poa or Sea Fern-grass

Sea-shore. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	—	—	—	—	—

*Assynt (Clachtoll, 1944, A.J.W., 1966, M.McC.W.)*

*Eddrachillis (Pollin, 1956, M.McC.W.)*

**Poa** L.

**P. annua** L. (107, 108) Annual Meadow-grass

Fields, roadsides, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. alpina** L. (107) Alpine Meadow-grass

Stony places on mountains at 2500 ft. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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*Creich* (Ben More Assynt, 1826, R.G., 1959, D.A.R.)

**P. nemoralis** L. (107, 108) Wood Meadow-grass

Woodlands. Occasional.

CREICH	_____	_____	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**P. glauca** Vahl (108) Glaucous Meadow-grass

Damp rock ledges on hill to 2000 ft. Rare.

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ASSYNT	_____	_____	DURNNESS	TONGUE	_____	_____	_____

*Assynt* (Canisp, 1900, C.E.S.)

*Durness* (Meall Horn, 1958, D.A.R.)

*Tongue* (Ben Loyal, 1959, R.E.C.F.)

**P. pratensis** L. (107, 108) Smooth Meadow-grass

Pastures, roadsides, waste places. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. subcaerulea** Sm. (107, 108) Spreading Meadow-grass

Damp coastal sand. Frequent.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**P. trivialis** L. (107, 108) Rough Meadow-grass

Grassy places and waste land. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

**Catabrosa** Beauv.

**C. aquatica** (L.) Beauv. (107, 108) Whorl-grass or Water Whorl-grass

In shallow water. Rare.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	_____	_____	_____	FARR		

*Dornoch* (Mound, 1888, J.G., 1962, A.McG.S.)

*Assynt* (Clachtoll, 1886, A.G., 1957, B.F.)  
*Eddrachillis* (Scourie, 1938, J.W.H.-H. & H.H.-H.)  
*Farr* (Melvich)

### Dactylis L.

**D. glomerata** L. (107, 108) Cock's-foot  
 Pastures, rough grassland, roadsides. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Cynosurus L.

**C. cristatus** L. (107, 108) Crested Dog's-tail  
 Grasslands. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Briza L.

**B. media** L. (107, 108) Quaking-grass  
 Grasslands. Rare.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—		DURNESS	—	—		

*Golspie* (*Dunrobin*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver, Inchnadamph*)

*Durness* (*Durness*)

### Melica L.

**M. uniflora** Retz. (107) Wood Melick  
 Damp woods. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
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*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*)

**M. nutans** L. (107, 108) Mountain Melick  
 Woods. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—		—	—	—		

*Creich* (*Invershin*)

*Dornoch* (*Cambusmore*)

*Golspie* (*Golspie*)

*Assynt* (*Lochinver, Inchnadamph*)



## Bromus L.

### **B. ramosus** Huds. (107, 108) Hairy Brome

Woods. Occasional.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Golspie</i> ( <i>Dunrobin</i> )							
<i>Assynt</i> ( <i>Lochinver, Inchnadamph</i> )							

### **B. sterilis** L. (107, 108) Barren Brome

Waste places. Rare.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Golspie</i> ( <i>Dunrobin</i> )							
<i>Kildonan</i> ( <i>Helmsdale</i> )							
<i>Assynt</i> ( <i>Inchnadamph</i> )							

### **B. mollis** L. (107, 108) Lop-grass or Soft Brome

Fields, dunes, roadsides and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

### **B. thominii** Hardouin. (107, 108) Lesser Soft Brome

Roadsides and waste places. Occasional.

—	LAIRG	—	DORNOCH	—	CLYNE	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	TONGUE	—	—	—
<i>Lairg</i> ( <i>Lairg</i> )							
<i>Dornoch</i> ( <i>Loch Fleet</i> )							
<i>Clyne</i> ( <i>Brora</i> )							
<i>Kildonan</i> ( <i>Borrobal</i> )							
<i>Tongue</i> ( <i>Melness, Scullomie</i> )							

### **B. lepidus** Holmberg. (107, 108) Slender Soft Brome

Fields and roadsides. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
—	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—	—

### **B. commutatus** Schrad. (107, 108) Meadow Brome

Grassland. Rare.

CREICH	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	—
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Creich</i> ( <i>Bonar Bridge</i> )							
<i>Golspie</i> ( <i>Golspie</i> )							
<i>Assynt</i> ( <i>Knockan</i> )							

## Brachypodium Beauv.

**B. sylvaticum** (Huds.) Beauv. (107, 108) False Brome  
Woods. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	_____	_____	_____
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Agropyron Gaertn.

**A. caninum** (L.) Beauv. (107, 108) Bearded Couch  
Damp woods. Rare.

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ASSYNT	_____		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**A. donianum** F. B. White (107, 108) Don's Twitch or Don's Couch  
Limestone rocks. Very rare.

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ASSYNT	_____		_____	_____	_____		

*Dornoch (Cambusmore)*

*Assynt (Inchnadamph)*

**A. repens** (L.) Beauv. (107, 108) Common Couch  
Cultivated fields and waste places. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**A. junceiforme** (A. & D. Löve) A. & D. Löve (107, 108) Sand Couch  
On sandy shores and dunes. Frequent.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Elymus L.

**E. arenarius** L. (107, 108) Lyme-grass  
Seaward side of dunes. Occasional.

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ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

## Hordeum L.

**H. murinum** L. (107) Wall Barley  
Waste places. Very rare.

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*Kildonan (Helmsdale)*

## Koeleria Pers.

**K. cristata** (L.) Pers. (107, 108) Crested Hair-grass

Coastal pastures. Frequent.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## Trisetum Pers.

**T. flavescens** (L.) Beauv. (107, 108) Yellow Oat-grass

Grassy places. Rare.

—	—	—	—	—	CLYNE	—	—
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	FARR		

*Assynt* (Lochinver, 1886, A.G.)

*Clyne* (Brora, 1962, M.McC.W.)

*Farr* (Bettyhill, 1973, K.D.L.)

## Avena L.

**A. fatua** L. (107, 108) Wild-oat

Fields. Rare.

—	—	ROGART	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	TONGUE	—		

*Rogart* (Rogart, 1957, M.McC.W.)

*Tongue* (Coldbackie, 1901, E.S.M.)

**A. strigosa** Schreb. (107) Bristle Oat or Black Oat

*Creich* (Bonar Bridge, 1836, A. Murray)

## Helictotrichon Bess.

**H. pratense** (L.) Pilg. (107, 108) Meadow Oat-grass

Coastal turf. Rare.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
—	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	—	—			

**H. pubescens** (Huds.) Pilg. (107, 108) Downy Oat-grass or

Hairy Oat-grass

Rough grassland. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR			

## Arrhenatherum Beauv.

**A. elatius** (L.) Beauv. ex J. & C. Presl. (107, 108) False Oat-grass

Roadsides and waste ground. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Holcus L.

**H. lanatus** L. (107, 108) Yorkshire Fog

Rough grassland, waste places. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**H. mollis** L. (107, 108) Creeping Soft-grass

Open woodlands. Common.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

### Deschampsia Beauv.

**D. caespitosa** (L.) Beauv. (107, 108) Tufted Hair-grass

Marshy fields, moors and woods. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**D. alpina** (L.) Roem. & Schult. (107, 108) Alpine Hair-grass

Stony places on mountains from 2000 to 3000 ft. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
			DURNESS				

*Creich* (*Ben More Assynt*, 1824, *R.G.*, 1897, *E.S.M.*, 1962, *D.A.R.*)

*Durness* (*Foinaven, summit*, 1824, *R.G.*)

**D. flexuosa** (L.) Trin. (107, 108) Wavy Hair-grass

Heaths and moors. To 3000 ft. Common, widespread.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS		DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR		

**D. setacea** (Huds.) Hack. (107, 108) Bog Hair-grass

Margins of peaty pools. Rare.

CREICH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	EDDRACHILLIS			TONGUE	FARR		

*Creich* (*Invershin*)

*Eddrachillis* (*Sandwood*)

*Tongue* (*Tongue*)

*Farr* (*Altnaharra, Invernaver, Melvich*)

## Aira L.

### **A. praecox** L. (107, 108) Early Hair-grass

On dry bare sandy and rocky slopes. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **A. caryophyllea** L. (107, 108) Silver Hair-grass

Dry sandy soil on heaths and fields. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

## Ammophila Host

### **A. arenaria** (L.) Link (107, 108) Marram Grass

Coastal dunes. Frequent.

— — — DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### × **Ammocalamagrostis** P. Fourn.

### × **A. baltica** (Schrad.) P. Fourn. (108)

On dunes. Rare.

*Eddrachillis* (*Handa Island, 1938, J.W.H.-H. & H.H.-H.*)

## Calamagrostis Adans.

### **C. epigejos** (L.) Roth (108) Wood Small-reed or Bushgrass

Damp woods, ditches. Rare.

— — — — — — —  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS — — — — —  
*Assynt* (*Stoer, Oldany*)  
*Eddrachillis* (*Handa Island*)

## Agrostis L.

### **A. canina** L. (107, 108) Brown Bent-grass

Wet meadows, heaths, grassland on hills. Common.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

### **A. tenuis** Sibth. (107, 108) Common Bent-grass

On heaths, moors, waste ground. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR



**A. gigantea** Roth (107, 108) Common Bent-grass or Black Bent-grass  
Fields and roadsides. Rare.

—	—	—	DORNOCH	—	—	—	KILDONAN
—	—	—	—	—	FARR	—	—

**A. stolonifera** L. (107, 108) Fiorin or Creeping Bent-grass  
Grassland, coastal sands, salt-marsh. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

### Phleum L.

**P. bertolonii** DC. (107, 108) Smaller Cat's-tail  
Grassland. Probably overlooked.

—	—	—	—	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	—	—	—	—	FARR	—	—

**P. pratense** L. (107, 108) Timothy  
Fields, roadsides. Occasional.

CREICH	—	—	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	—	—	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

### Alopecurus L.

**A. myosuroides** Huds. (108) Black Twitch or Black-grass  
An old record.

*Farr (Bettyhill, 1889, F.J.H. & J.C.M.)*

**A. pratensis** L. (107, 108) Meadow Foxtail  
Grassland. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**A. geniculatus** L. (107, 108) Marsh Foxtail  
Muddy margins of pools and ditches. Frequent.

CREICH	LAIRG	ROGART	DORNOCH	GOLSPIE	CLYNE	LOTH	KILDONAN
ASSYNT	EDDRACHILLIS	—	DURNESS	TONGUE	FARR	—	—

**A. bulbosus** Gouan (108) Tuberosus Foxtail or Bulbous Foxtail  
Marshes. Rare.

*Farr (Altnaharra, 1931, T.J.F.)*

### Milium L.

**M. effusum** L. (107) Wood Millet

Woodlands. Rare.

\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ GOLSPIE \_\_\_\_\_  
*Golspie (Dunrobin, 1897, E.S.M.)*

**Anthoxanthum L.**

**A. odoratum L.** (107, 108) Sweet Vernal-grass

Heaths, moors, grasslands. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**Phalaris L.**

**P. arundinacea L.** (107, 108) Reed Canary-grass

Marshes, ditches, margins of ponds. Frequent.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

**P. canariensis L.** (108) Canary-grass

Casual.

*Durness (Durness)*

**Nardus L.**

**N. stricta L.** (107, 108) Mat-grass

Heaths, moors, hill pastures. Common, widespread.

CREICH LAIRG ROGART DORNOCH GOLSPIE CLYNE LOTH KILDONAN  
ASSYNT EDRACHILLIS DURNES TONGUE FARR

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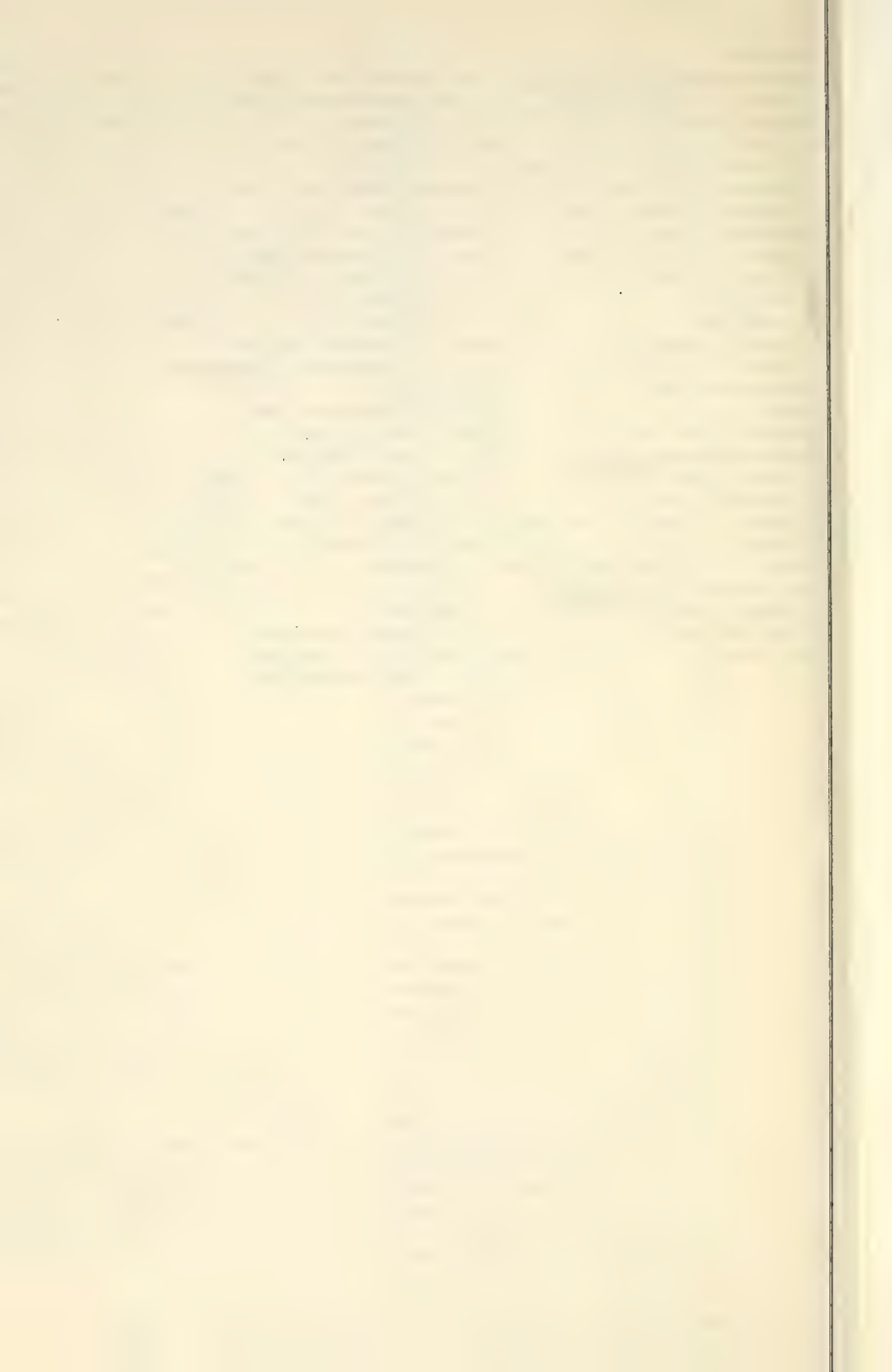
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