Carduus chrysacanthus

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.35**
Life span: **Perennial**
Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

Flower

Flowering period: **June-August**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Dispersal mode: **Anemochory**
Dispersal distance class: **5**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**
Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**
Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **native**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Dry**
Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**
Nutrient relationship: **Dystrophic**
Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**
Temperature indicator value: **4**
Moisture indicator value: **2**
Reaction indicator value: **7**
Nutrient indicator value: **1**
Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **2.13**
Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **2.13**
Disturbance severity: **0.42**
Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.42**
Mowing frequency: **0.31**

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Grazing pressure: **0.51**
Soil disturbance: **0.26**

Habitat and sociology

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**

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