

# *Citrullus colocynthis*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.14**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte, Herbaceous liana**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **3.88**

## Flower

Flowering period: **April-August**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **40.9**

Dispersal mode: **Endozoochory**

Dispersal distance class: **6**

## 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: **Acidic**

Nutrient relationship: **Dystrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**

Temperature indicator value: **12**

Moisture indicator value: **1**

Reaction indicator value: **2**

Nutrient indicator value: **1**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

## Habitat and sociology

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle**