

# *Cynosurus cristatus*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.44**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hemicryptophyte**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **24.66**

## Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **0.51**

Dispersal mode: **Epizoochory, Anthropochory**

Dispersal distance class: **6, 7**

## 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: **Mesic**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8**

Temperature indicator value: **4.8**

Reaction indicator value: **5.3**

Nutrient indicator value: **4**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.84**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **2.24**

Disturbance severity: **0.5**

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Mowing frequency: **1.23**

Grazing pressure: **0.38**

Soil disturbance: **0.34**

## Habitat and sociology

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CM \(MOL\) \*Molinio-Arrhenatheretea\*](#),  
[FH \(BUL\) \*Poetea bulbosae\*](#)

### EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [R21 Mesic permanent pasture of lowlands and mountains](#), [R22 Low and medium altitude hay meadow](#), [R33 Mediterranean short moist grassland of mountains](#), [R34 Submediterranean moist meadow](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [R21 Mesic permanent pasture of lowlands and mountains](#), [R22 Low and medium altitude hay meadow](#), [R23 Mountain hay meadow](#), [R24 Iberian summer pasture \(vallicar\)](#), [R33 Mediterranean short moist grassland of mountains](#), [R34 Submediterranean moist meadow](#)

Dominant species of EUNIS habitats: [R34 Submediterranean moist meadow](#)

### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline)**

## Distribution

Continentality: **4**

Continentality amplitude: **4**