

# *Trifolium arvense*

## Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.22**

Life span: **Annual**

Life form: **Therophyte**

## Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm<sup>2</sup>/mg]: **18.04**

## Flower

Flowering period: **March-June**

## Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **0.37**

Dispersal mode: **Local non-specific dispersal**

Dispersal distance class: **1**

## Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **symbiosis with rhizobia**

## Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **native**

## Ecology

### Environmental relationships

Substrate reaction relationship: **Acidic**

Nutrient relationship: **Oligotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

### Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **8.2**

Temperature indicator value: **5.7**

Moisture indicator value: **2.9**

Nutrient indicator value: **2.1**

Salinity indicator value: **0.2**

### Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.32**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.97**

Disturbance severity: **0.54**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.51**  
Mowing frequency: **0.59**  
Grazing pressure: **0.3**  
Soil disturbance: **0.35**

## Habitat and sociology

### Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [CJ \(COR\) \*Koelerio-Coryneporetea canescentis\*](#), [CK \(SED\) \*Sedo-Scleranthetea\*](#), [FI \(TUB\) \*Helianthemetea guttati\*](#)

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### Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle, Grassland (non-alpine, non-saline), Scrub, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**

## Distribution

Continentality amplitude: **6**