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Front cover from top: Burnt Orchid Orchis ustulata, Red Hemp-nettle Galeopsis angustifolia and Spiked Star-of-Bethlehem Ornithogalum pyrenaicum.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Wiltshire is a land of rolling downs and wide open skies. In many ways it has escaped much of the urbanisation of other southern counties, and in some places it is still possible to stand on a down and hear only the sound of the breeze and bird-song.

A long pastoral history has helped to create many of the special places preserved today, though rarely now as a working landscape. The vista of colourful grasslands full of wildflowers and archaeological features is quintessentially Wiltshire, and large tracts of land are fortunate enough to have been designated as protected sites, preserved amidst widespread agricultural change.

Like everywhere else, huge changes in land management in the twentieth cemtury have contributed to a decline in biodiversity associated with Wiltshire farmland, but there are signs that the tide may be turning. This Register is written at a time when agri-environmental schemes are becoming increasingly popular, and when many farmers and land managers are taking a stand against continued loss of habitats and species. Instead of protecting isolated islands of biodiversity, conservation managers are now promoting habitat restoration and creation on a large scale, in an effort to link important sites and thereby promote stable populations.

The county is fortunate also in being a stronghold for many of the formerly common species that are considered to be threatened in a national context. The county holds a number of high-profile rarities such as Burnt Orchid, and overall floral biodiversity is high for a land without coastline, rocky gorges or uplands.

It is hoped that this Register will serve to draw attention to the status of all notable plants in the county, not just the celebrated rarities, but the unglamorous ones too.

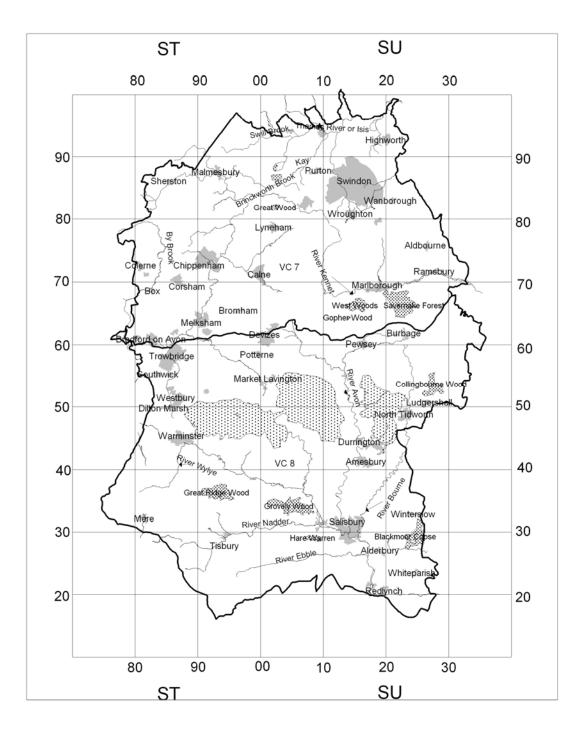
#### 2. TAXONOMIC SCOPE AND NOMENCLATURE

Records of all qualifying vascular plants (including flowering plants and ferns) have been listed in the Register. For now, stoneworts (macro-algae including *Chara, Nitella* and related genera) have been omitted, although this group will be included in future editions. The Register does not include bryophytes (mosses, liverworts and hornworts), lichens or fungi.

Nomenclature generally follows Stace (1997) with respect to scientific and vernacular names. Scientific names have been used throughout the Register, but for reference, vernacular names are given in Appendix I.

#### 3. GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Wiltshire, in the context of this publication, encompasses the Watsonian vice-counties of North and South Wiltshire (VC7 and VC8 respectively, Figure 1). The boundary of the modern administrative county of Wiltshire is for the most part faithful to the VC boundaries, but for historical reasons, deviates in places. The most significant deviation is in the south-eastern corner of VC8 which lies in modern-day Hampshire. Many of the species recorded in this small part of the New Forest do not occur anywhere else in VC7 or VC8. The Kennet and Avon Canal neatly bisects Wiltshire from east to west and is the boundary between the two vice-counties.



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#### 4. WILTSHIRE'S HABITATS AND RARE SPECIES

Wiltshire is the largest inland county in southern England. It is approximately 84 km long by 59 km wide, and is for the most part a county of peaceful rolling countryside dotted with small villages and towns. It is renowned for its extensive chalk downlands, which together form more than half of the county's total area, and which are a haven for many rare plants of calcareous grassland.

Much of Wiltshire's land-mass is farmed, and given the widespread distribution of shallow, well-drained chalky soils, it is not surprising that many of Britain's declining arable plants retain a stronghold here. The current trend towards managing farmland through agri-environment schemes means the future is currently looking relatively bright for this group of species in the county.

Three river systems drain the whole of Wiltshire. In VC8, the vast chalk aquifer of Salisbury Plain feeds the chalk stream tributaries of the River Avon (the Salisbury Avon). In VC7, another River Avon, the Bristol Avon, drains West Wiltshire from Malmesbury to Melksham and on toward Bath, whilst the River Kennet in VC7 drains north-east Wiltshire into the River Thames.

In the alluvial floodplain of the upper Thames, Wiltshire is fortunate to have some of the country's most outstanding remaining hay-meadows, which have never been agriculturally improved and so are exceptionally rich. Nearby, straddling the Wiltshire – Gloucestershire border, are more than 130 marl lakes created by sand and gravel extraction that together form the Cotswold Water Park. This area of shallow lakes and streams is important for its aquatic macrophyte communities.

Poor, acidic soils capable of supporting heathland and mire are relatively rare in the county, but where they do occur, they tend to have a high concentration of rare plants, including many that are found nowhere else in the county. Overwhelmingly, these habitats are concentrated in the far south-east corner of VC8 where part of the New Forest (in modern-day Hampshire) extends into the vice-county. Elsewhere, acid-loving species are present where greensand is exposed at the surface, as in Savernake Forest, Spye Park and the Stourton area.

#### 4.1 Calcareous Grassland

This is by far the most extensive habitat supporting rare plants in the county, with the largest blocks in VC8. National rarities are numerous and on Salisbury Plain include species such as *Cirsium tuberosum*, *Salvia pratensis*, *Galeopsis angustifolia*, *Carex humilis* and *Minuartia hybrida*. The Pewsey Downs have relatively abundant *Phyteuma orbiculare* and *Tephroseris integrifolia* ssp integrifolia. Also on the chalk, orchids are widespread, and the county remains a stronghold for some of the new red list species, such as *Coeloglossum viride*, both species of *Platanthera* and *Cephalanthera damasonium*, which is particularly characteristic of beech plantations on Salisbury Plain. Salisbury Plain forms approximately 10% of the total land-mass of Wiltshire, and is the largest single block of unimproved chalk grassland anywhere in North-eastern Europe. Its outlier at Porton Down is notable for its populations of *Juniperus communis* ssp *communis* and *Iberis amara*, as well as *Rosa micrantha* and *Rosa agrestis*.

#### 4.2 Neutral Grassland

In Clattinger Farm and at North Meadow, near Cricklade, VC7 has some of the most outstanding remaining examples of lowland hay-meadow anywhere in the country. Unimproved neutral grassland is now an very rare type of habitat, and botanically very diverse, though surprisingly few national rarities are present. However, *Fritillaria meleagris* is a notable exception. It is scattered in suitable sites in the upper Thames floodplain, but in North Meadow it can still be found in its thousands, and is a stunning sight in spring. At Clattinger, the very rare *Carex filiformis* has a stable population, and *Orchis ustulata* can be found in an unusual departure from its usual downland habitats. Neutral grassland is more rare in VC8, but supports locally rare and scarce species such as *Bromus racemosus* and *Gaudinia fragilis*.

#### 4.3 Rivers, Canals and Streams

Rising from the chalk, Wiltshire's rivers and streams are typically clean, clear and base-rich. In the upper reaches, they support a typically rich chalk stream flora, with extensive beds of water-crowfoot presenting a fine sight in June. A typical Wiltshire rarity, found especially on the River Wylye in VC8 is *Oenanthe fluviatilis*, while *Potamogeton perfoliatus* is a speciality of the Salisbury Avon. Inexplicably, *Veronica catenata* is widespread in VC7, but scarce in VC8. A short section of the Bristol Avon in West Wiltshire has a significant population of the nationally rare and very beautiful *Potamogeton nodosus* in its only Wiltshire station. Nearby, the nationally scarce parasite *Cuscuta europaea* can be found on nettle-infested river banks and flood grassland.

The Kennet and Avon Canal, which bisects the county, is currently heavily used by recreational boat traffic, and its aquatic macrophyte interest has diminished over the past few decades. However, the county rarities *Potamogeton friesii* and *P. obtusifolius* have been recorded in the past.

#### 4.4 Ponds, Lakes and Gravel Pits

Ponds are still relatively widespread, particularly in the clay vales, although places like the Pewsey Downs and Salisbury Plain also have seasonally wet dew ponds. Such ponds support locally rare plants like *Ranunculus peltatus* and *R. trichophyllus* as well as *Rorippa microphylla* and some of the fine-leaved *Potamogeton* species.

Minerals have been won from the ground in the Cotswold Water Park (CWP) area for a century or more, and extraction continues today, so the resulting mosaic of flooded pits, silt ponds and developing wetlands provides many different habitats for a diverse set of plants. Submerged macrophytes include *Potamogeton trichoides, Groenlandia densa* and many different stoneworts, whilst the margins and shores are a haven for e.g. *Eleocharis acicularis, Catabrosa aquatica* and *Carex pseudocyperus*. The normally coastal *Bolboschoenus maritimus* is also found in the CWP.

#### 4.5 Heathland and Mire

The south-eastern corner of VC8 in the area around Landford features typical New Forest habitat, including pony-grazed acid 'lawns', dry and wet dwarf shrub heath and mires. This small but rich area supports many of the rare plants listed in this account, as well as some of the national rarities associated with the New Forest as a whole. Herb-rich forest lawns support *Mentha pulegium* and *Chamaemelum nobile*, whilst humid heath has *Rhynchospora fusca* and *Lycopodiella inundata*. *Pinguicula lusitanica* is more common in the forest than any other species of butterwort. Mires have occasional *Carex curta* and *Utricularia minor* and *Pilularia globulifera* in its only extant VC8 site.

#### 4.6 Cultivated Land

The well-drained soils in VC8 still support a notable array of uncommon or declining arable plants in crop margins. In VC8, farmland around Salisbury has particularly important arable plant assemblages. At the top of warm south-facing slopes, thin chalky soils may have communities with *Lithospermum arvense*, *Fumaria densiflora*, *Silene noctiflora*, *Adonis annua* and *Valerianella dentata*.

More clayey soils may have Euphorbia platyphyllos, Scandix pecten-veneris, Ranunculus arvensis and Petroselinum segetum. More acidic, freely draining sandy soils might support Chrysanthemum segetum, Misopates orontium, Spergula arvensis (rare in VC7) and Veronica agrestis.

#### 4.7 Woodland

Although Wiltshire is not an extensively wooded county, it has a good diversity of woodland types, and many stands are considered to be ancient and semi-natural, with have high numbers of ancient woodland indicator species. Few of the woodlands are on the chalk; those that are juxtaposed with chalk downland are often on a clay-with-flints exposure, such as Grovely Wood, Great Ridge Wood and Savernake Forest. These woodlands, together with those developed over greensand, such as in the Stourhead and Longleat areas, support a distinctive range of rarities, including *Epipactis purpurata* and *E. phyllanthes, Luzula sylvatica, Ceratocapnos claviculata* and *Equisetum sylvaticum*. Rocky oolitic limestone woods in the west of the county have *Gagea lutea*,

Ornithogalum pyrenaicum, and Polygonatum odoratum. Wet areas in clay woods support Carex strigosa and Carex laevigata. Plantation woodlands tend to be relatively species-poor in comparison, except where planted on ancient woodland sites which retain their interesting ground flora. Beech plantations may have a few distinctive species, including Cephalanthera damasonium, Monotropa hypopitys and Neottia nidis-avis.

#### 5. RECORDS

Records for the Register have been obtained from a variety of sources. The majority of records were made in the course of recording for the current Wiltshire flora (Gillam, Green & Hutchison 1993). Many dedicated volunteers surveyed the length and breadth of Wiltshire between 1984 and 1992, and made records of both common and rare species. To meet the requirements of the 1993 flora to record species at I km level, most of the Wiltshire Flora Mapping Project (WFMP) records have four-figure grid references.

Recording continued after publication of the flora, mostly through the activities of the Wiltshire Botanical Society (WBS) and records continued to be passed to the respective BSBI VC Recorders. At the inception of the Wiltshire Rare Plant Register project in 2004, it quickly became clear that over-reliance on twenty-year old data would undermine the objective of the Register to provide a current picture of the botanical condition of Wiltshire.

Thus, two years of targetted recording activity were undertaken, and in 2005 and 2006 many old records were updated and recorded to 100 m resolution or better. New sites for many notable species were also found. Whilst it was not possible to update all old records, it is hoped that recording activities will continue, with the results being fed into future editions of this Register.

Members of the WBS and other local botanists rose to the challenge in both years, often by checking known rare plant populations within a given hectad (10 km x 10 km recording square), or by searching for target species in a familiar area. Sites which appeared to be under-represented by records in the county database were identified and efforts made to rectify this. In the case of Salisbury Plain, the respective MOD Conservation Groups were mobilised to collect data, and extensive survey data collected on the plain in 1996-7 was supplied by the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology. Knowledge of the distribution of rare species in the CWP was greatly enhanced by surveys undertaken in 2006 and recent aquatic macrophyte survey data generously made available by the Cotswold Water Park Society. Other valuable data were made available by Wiltshire Farming and Wildlife Advisory Service (FWAG) following surveys for rare arable plants in conjunction with the WBS in 2005 and 2006.

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#### 6. SPECIES

#### 6.1 Criteria for Inclusion

By the end of 2006, approximately 1800 vascular plant taxa had been recorded in Wiltshire (VC7 and VC8 combined). To develop a realistic list of notable species, various criteria have been used to filter that number to 275, or approximately 15% of the total. In 2005, the BSBI issued guidelines for the preparation of county rare plant registers and this Register follows those guidelines.

To be included in this Register, a species must first be considered to be native to VC7 or VC8. Species that are considered to be outside their native range have been treated as introductions. For example, Fritillary *Fritillaria meleagris* is a well-known native in the Thames floodplain hay-meadows of North Wiltshire. However, all populations of the species in South Wiltshire are considered to be garden escapes or deliberate introductions.

Species considered to be casuals are not included. This category includes alien species which are dependent on repeated introductions, as populations established in the wild fail to persist for more than five years.

Included as honorary natives are the group of species known as archaeophytes. According to Preston *et al* (2002) an archaeophyte 'is a plant which became naturalised before AD 1500'. This is an important group in Wiltshire as it encompasses many of the uncommon arable plants which are still found here, and which make the county one of the best areas in southern England for arable plants (Wilson & King 2003).

Assuming a species is native, it must then satisfy one or more of the criteria<sup>1</sup> given in Table 1 to be included in the Register.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cheffings and Farrell (2005) has been used as the basis for species status.

#### Table | Criteria of rarity and threat

International rarity	It is internationally rare i.e. either endemic to Britain or of restricted international distribution as recognised by inclusion on EC Habitats Directive Annex IIb, IVb or Vb, Bern Convention Appendix I or the Conservation (Natural Habitats & c.) Regulations 1994 Schedule 4.
National rarity	It is nationally rare i.e. recorded in 1-15 ten-kilometre OS squares in the British Isles. It is nationally scarce i.e. recorded in 16-100 squares.
County rarity	It is rare in either VC7 or VC8 i.e. recorded in 1-3 one-kilometre grid squares). It is scarce in either VC7 or VC8 i.e. recorded in 4-10 squares.
National threat	It is a species which is listed in one of the current IUCN threat categories.
Other	It is a UK Biodiversity Action Plan Priority Species. It is listed on Schedule 8 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).

#### 6.2 Excluded Species and Records

Native species and archaeophytes that have satisfied some of the above criteria, but which have been excluded from the scope of the Register include:

#### **Extinct species**

Native species that have not been recorded in a VC in the last 30 years, i.e. since 1976 (Appendix III).

#### Hybrids

It may be contentious to leave hybrids (of native taxa) out of the Register, but it is considered that on the whole in VC7 and VC8 hybrids are currently poorly recorded, and therefore inclusion may not present a realistic picture of their true distribution and status. It is hoped that more hybrids will be included in future editions.

Where hybrids are known to have been well recorded, with one or more parents which fulfil the national or international criteria of rarity and/or threat they have been documented. Thus, the hybrid between the nationally rare Tuberous Thistle *Cirsium tuberosum* and Dwarf Thistle *C. acaule* is included.

#### Critical genera

The large genera of *Hieracium* (hawkweeds), *Rubus* (brambles) and *Taraxacum* (dandelions) have also been omitted. The large number of microspecies in these genera can only be accurately identified by specialists, and in consequence records are patchy.

#### Doubtful records

In a few instances it has not been possible to verify a doubtful record, and it has been assumed that the species was either misidentified, or recorded erroneously. A list of species with sole dubious records in either VC7 or VC8 has been included in Appendix IV. Where individual records are doubtful, this has been indicated against the relevant species account.

#### 7. QUALIFYING SPECIES

The species detailed in this Register are listed below, and where a species is found in only one VC this is indicated by the VC number in parenthesis. Appendix V breaks these species down by qualifying criteria.

Aceras anthropophorum [8] Aconitum napellus ssp. napellus Adonis annua Aira caryophyllea Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita Alisma lanceolatum [7] Allium oleraceum [7] Alopecurus aequalis [7] Anagallis arvensis ssp. foemina Anagallis tenella Antennaria dioica [8] Anthemis arvensis [8] Apera spica-venti Aphanes australis Apium graveolens [8] Apium inundatum Arabis glabra [7] Artemisia absinthium Asparagus officinalis ssp. officinalis Astragalus danicus [8] Astragalus glycyphyllos Atropa belladonna Berberis vulgaris Bidens cernua Blechnum spicant Blysmus compressus [7] Bolboschoenus maritimus [7] Botrychium Iunaria Briza minor [8] Bromus commutatus Bromus racemosus Bromus secalinus Callitriche brutia [8] Callitriche hamulata Callitriche hermaphroditica [8] Callitriche platycarpa Campanula patula [7] Cardamine amara [7] Carex acuta Carex binervis Carex curta [8] Carex digitata [7] Carex distans Carex echinata Carex filiformis [7] Carex hostiana Carex humilis Carex laevigata Carex muricata ssp. lamprocarpa Carex pallescens Carex pseudocyperus

Carex pulicaris Carex rostrata Carex viridula ssp. brachyrrhyncha Carex viridula ssp. viridula Catabrosa aquatica Centaurea cyanus Cephalanthera damasonium Cerastium diffusum Cerastium pumilum Cerastium semidecandrum Ceratocapnos claviculata Chamaemelum nobile [8] Chenopodium bonus-henricus Chenopodium hybridum Chenopodium murale [8] Chrysanthemum segetum Chrysosplenium alternifolium Cirsium tuberosum Cirsium x medium Clinopodium acinos Coeloglossum viride Colchicum autumnale Cuscuta epithymum [8] Cuscuta europaea Cynoglossum officinale Cystopteris fragilis Dactylorhiza incarnata ssp. pulchella [7] Dianthus armeria Dianthus deltoides [8] Diplotaxis tenuifolia Draba muralis Dryopteris aemula [8] Eleocharis acicularis Eleocharis quinqueflora Eleocharis uniglumis Eleogiton fluitans [8] Epilobium lanceolatum Epilobium palustre Epipactis leptochila [8] Epipactis palustris [7] Epipactis phyllanthes Epipactis purpurata Equisetum sylvaticum [8] Eriophorum angustifolium Erophila glabrescens [8] Erysimum cheiranthoides Euphorbia exigua Euphorbia platyphyllos Euphrasia anglica [8]

Euphrasia pseudokerneri Festuca filiformis [8] Filago vulgaris Foeniculum vulgare Fritillaria meleagris [7] Fumaria bastardii [8] Fumaria densiflora Fumaria muralis Fumaria parviflora [8] Gagea lutea [8] Galeopsis angustifolia Galeopsis bifida Galium constrictum [8] Galium pumilum [8] Gaudinia fragilis Genista anglica [8] Gentianella anglica Gentianella germanica [8] Gnaphalium sylvaticum Groenlandia densa Helleborus foetidus Herminium monorchis Hydrocotyle vulgaris Hyoscyamus niger Hypericum androsaemum Hypericum elodes Iberis amara [8] Inula helenium [7] Isatis tinctoria [8] Jasione montana [8] Juncus bulbosus Juncus compressus [7] Juncus foliosus [8] Juncus subnodulosus [7] Juniperus communis ssp. communis Lactuca virosa Lamium hybridum Lathyrus aphaca Lathyrus sylvestris Lemna gibba Lepidium heterophyllum [8] Lepidium ruderale Leucojum aestivum Linaria repens Linum bienne Lithospermum arvense Lotus glaber Luzula sylvatica Lycopodiella inundata [8] Medicago arabica

Melampyrum arvense [7] Melampyrum pratense Melittis melissophyllum [8] Mentha pulegium [8] Menyanthes trifoliata Minuartia hybrida [8] Misopates orontium Moenchia erecta [8] Molinia caerulea Monotropa hypopitys Montia fontana Myosotis secunda Myosurus minimus [8] Nardus stricta Neottia nidus-avis Nepeta cataria Oenanthe aquatica [8] Oenanthe fistulosa Oenanthe fluviatilis Oenanthe lachenalii [7] Onobrychis viciifolia Onopordum acanthium Ophrys insectifera Ophrys sphegodes [8] Orchis morio Orchis ustulata Ornithogalum pyrenaicum Ornithopus perpusillus Osmunda regalis Papaver argemone Papaver dubium ssp. lecogii Papaver hybridum Pedicularis palustris [8] Pedicularis sylvatica Persicaria minor [8] Petroselinum segetum Phyteuma orbiculare Pilularia globulifera [8] Pinguicula Iusitanica [8] Plantago coronopus Platanthera bifolia Platanthera chlorantha

Poa angustifolia Poa compressa Poa humilis Polygala serpyllifolia Polygonatum odoratum [7] Polygonum rurivagum Potamogeton berchtoldii Potamogeton friesii [8] Potamogeton nodosus Potamogeton obtusifolius [8] Potamogeton perfoliatus Potamogeton trichoides Potentilla anglica Potentilla palustris [8] Pulicaria vulgaris [8] Pyrola minor [8] Radiola linoides [8] Ranunculus arvensis Ranunculus fluitans Ranunculus omiophyllus Ranunculus parviflorus [8] Ranunculus peltatus Ranunculus sardous [8] Ranunculus trichophyllus Rhynchospora fusca [8] Rorippa amphibia Rorippa microphylla Rosa agrestis [8] Rosa micrantha Rosa mollis [7] Rosa obtusifolia Rosa rubiginosa Rosa sherardii Rosa stylosa Rosa tomentosa Rumex maritimus [7] Rumex pulcher Ruscus aculeatus Sagina nodosa Salvia pratensis [8] Salvia verbenaca Sambucus ebulus

Sanguisorba officinalis Scandix pecten-veneris Scleranthus annuus Scrophularia umbrosa Silene gallica [7] Silene noctiflora Silybum marianum Smyrnium olusatrum Solidago virgaurea Spergula arvensis Spergularia rubra Spiranthes spiralis Stachys arvensis Stellaria neglecta Stellaria pallida [8] Tephroseris integrifolia ssp. integrifolia Thesium humifusum Torilis arvensis [8] Torilis nodosa Trifolium arvense Trifolium ornithopodioides [8] Trifolium striatum Trifolium subterraneum [8] Typha angustifolia Ulex gallii Ulex minor Utricularia minor [8] Vaccinium myrtillus Valerianella carinata Valerianella dentata Veronica agrestis Veronica catenata Veronica scutellata Vicia bithynica [7] Vicia sylvatica Viola canina Viola palustris Viola tricolor Vulpia myuros Wahlenbergia hederacea [8]

#### 7.1 Presentation of Accounts

Each species account follows a standard format. The vernacular and scientific name of each species is listed, along with its status in Wiltshire (native or archaeophyte) any relevant national and vice-county rarity status and IUCN threat category (Table 1). For some species, further criteria are listed, such as international rarity, whether it is a UKBAP priority species, a UK endemic, or listed as a protected species on Schedule 8 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). More information about these criteria is given in Section 6.

Against local criteria of rarity, it is important to distinguish between VC7 and VC8, so the status of each species has been given throughout the accounts. Where a species is listed as '*not scarce*', it has been recorded from more than ten 1 km squares in that vice-county.

Most species accounts then include a list of records. Each of these represents the most recent record in any given *I km grid square*. So for example, if *Thesium humifusum* has been recorded at several different locations in the I km grid square SU 1949 between 1984 and 2004, only the 2004 record has been listed.

Note that where a species meets any of the international or national criteria of rarity or threat (Table 1) **all** of the records of the species in VC7 and/or VC8 are given, irrespective of local status (but see paragraph above). If a species does not meet any of the national/international criteria, only qualifying local records are given. For example, *Vulpia myuros* is an archaeophyte that is scarce in VC8, but not scarce in VC7, so only VC8 records have been given in the species account. In some instances the status of a species is uncertain, and it may be considered to be a native and an introduction in the same vice-county. Where it is known or strongly suspected that individual records are of garden escapes or deliberate introductions, they have generally been omitted from the list of records. In some cases, such as *Aconitum napellus* ssp *napellus*, it has not been generally possible to distinguish native from non-native populations, and all records are therefore treated as native.

Generally, locations are either given as four-figure grid references (to 1 km resolution), or preferably as sixfigure grid references, placing the record to an accuracy of 100 m. In the past few years the use of hand-held GPS units by botanical recorders in Wiltshire has increased and many grid references are now given as eight or even ten figures. These remain so in the database, but I have converted such grid references to six-figures for consistency in this Register. I have adjusted many of the location names where no clear place name was given in the database.

Some recording initiatives – including the BSBI Monitoring Scheme 1987-88 and BSBI Local Change 2003-2004 – involved collecting records using tetrad notation. Where a record is given as e.g. ST96H, it is localised to a 2km x 2km square (a tetrad) within the 10km OS grid square ST96. The diagram below shows the arrangement of the tetrads in any 10 km square.

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В	G	L	R	W
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Α	F	К	Q	V
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To find tetrad ST96H, first look up 10 km square ST96 on the relevant OS map. Each of the eastings and northing divisions in this square are shown at 2km intervals, and tetrad letters are arranged A-Z in alternating columns (note: letter O is not used). So the south-west corner of tetrad ST96H can be found by locating easting 92, then northing 64. The tetrad ST96H covers the 1 km grid squares ST9264, ST9364, ST9265 and ST9365.

Example: 10 km square ST96.

Abbreviation of some place key names has been made in the species accounts. These include:

CWP	Cotwold Water Park
DTE (SP)	Defence Training Estate (Salisbury Plain)
K & A Canal	Kennet and Avon Canal

In a very few instances, landowners have requested confidentiality for the locations of particularly vulnerable species, or it has been deemed important to restrict access to certain areas for particular reasons. In these cases, the record has been deliberately localised to a 1 km or 10 km level.

Recorders (where known) have been listed against the records – a full list of recorder abbreviations and names is given in Appendix II.

For a minority of species, a map replaces the list of records. This is typically the case of species that are widespread in Wiltshire, but which fulfil international or national criteria of rarity or threat e.g. *Carex humilis, Minuartia hybrida, Ornithogalum pyrenaicum.* In these cases, the data are cumbersome and most efficiently presented in map format. All records are shown on these maps, with each dot/square indicating presence in a 1 km grid square. Two date classes are given:

 $\Box$  Records from before 1975;

• Records from 1975 or later.

Many of the records fall within Sites of Special Scientific Interest, but it has not been possible to cross-reference these in this Register. Appendix VI shows the locations and names of the SSSIs in VC7 and VC8.

#### 7.2 Species Accounts

#### Aceras anthropophorum Man Orchid

Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Rare

This is a tuberous perennial of old calcareous grassland, quarries and roadsides, preferring some shade. In Wiltshire it is at the western edge of its British range. Recorded in low numbers in three sites in S. Wilts, growing in rich chalk downland. The Martin Down population has not been seen recently.

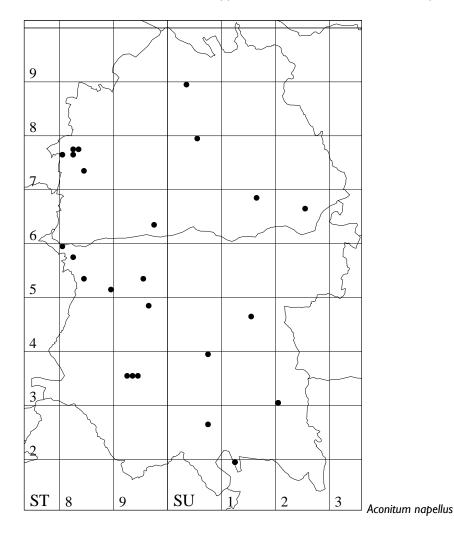
#### VC8

Bratton	ST9051	2006	RDu	Known for some years. Exact GR confidential.
Bratton	ST9152	1993	PSk	
Martin Down	SU054189	1994	RBo	Both sides of path.

#### Aconitum napellus ssp. napellus Monk's-hood Nationally Scarce IUCN Waiting List

Native and introduced Status in VC7 and 8 unclear

A tuberous perennial preferring damp and often shady woodland habitats over circumneutral soils and frequently associated with river-banks. In Wiltshire it is found as both a native and garden throw-out or escape. In Britain its status is unclear; however the plant is regarded as native only in SW England, S. Wales and the Welsh borders. All records are mapped here as native, and include *A. napellus* and ssp. *napellus*.



#### Adonis annua Pheasant's-eye Nationally Rare IUCN Endangered

An annual of dry calcareous soils, typically in arable fields on the chalk, but also occuring in tank tracks and other ephemeral habitats. It has an extremely long-lived seed-bank but appears erratically. Most records are from south-east Wiltshire, where it is particularly associated with the light chalky soils of the DTE (SP). A once-common arable weed, it has been lost from most of its British sites as a result of agricultural changes and is now confined to a handful of areas in southern England.

VC7				
Gastard	ST889688	1984	Unknown	Meadow.
VC8				
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Tidpit	SU078192	1986	JOu	South Allenford.
South Allenford	SU082164	1986	JOu	Single plant in middle of field.
Damerham	SU095175	1987	Unknown	Knoll Farm.
Damerham	SU100175	1987	JOu	Knoll Farm, in a wheatfield.
Stratford-sub-Castle	SUI 383 I 5	1989	HCa	Single plant in garden.
Odstock	SU143280	1991	PWi	
Salterton	SU143363	1989	PWi	Salterton Farm, in rich weed flora.
Salterton	SUI 44347	1989	PWi	Salterton Farm, in field.
Odstock	SU145278	2006	ABy & DPr	Arable field opposite hospital.
Salterton	SU145350	2005	WBS	
Downton	SUI 49225	1999	DJW & PMW	New Court Down. A large number.
Breamore	SUI 58204	1991	CSt	North Charford Down Farm.
Bulford	SU168458	2001	KWa	Parson's. Crop edge Schedule I land.
Milston	SU171464	2004	SPi	In strip managed for the species.
Porton	SU176374	2003	SSm	Birdlymes Farm, in field corner.
Bulford	SU178455	1988	Unknown	Arable field north of helicopter pad.
DTE (SP) East	SU186468	1988	Unknown	Silk Hill, at edge of a path.
Whiteparish	SU217235	2003	JMar & AHar	Moor Farm. Well-known site.

#### Aira caryophyllea Silver Hair-grass

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

An often diminutive annual, preferring well-drained sandy, gravelly or rocky soils. Scattered across the county in railway cuttings; also occurring on leached chalk. Populations tend to be very small and ephemeral. Its scarcity in Wiltshire is likely to be linked to an absence of suitable habitat.

VC7				
Notton	ST9070	1984	ECu	
Stanton St. Quintin	ST926827	1984	DG	Near Rodbourne Bottom.
Chippenham	ST927742	1984	DG	
Chippenham	ST9370	1984	ECu	
Hilmarton	SU0180	1984	DG	
Wootton Bassett	SU0689	1984	MSt	
Savernake Forest	SU228648	2004	JN	Near The Column.

VC8				
Edington	ST9355	1984	HWr	
Sherrington	ST9437	1984	PMo	
Potterne	ST9958	1984	BHa	
Devizes	ST9960	1984	PCI	Old Park.
Middleton Down	SU0423	1995	BL & PMW	
DTE (SP)	SU0653	1984	RFu	Chirton Gorse.
DTE (SP) Black Heath	SU065513	1997	Unknown	Associated with Dianthus armeria.
Easton	SU1959	1984	DVe	

#### Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita Lady's-mantle

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

An apomictic perennial, found in a wide range of open habitats. In Wiltshire it is usually found in small numbers, and it is a good indicator of unimproved acidic and neutral grasslands. It is also characteristic of clay-with-flints soils in the Savernake Forest area in VC7, and Great Ridge Wood area in VC8.

Savernake Lacock Castle Combe	SU210670 ST96J ST837891	1986 1987 1985	DG DG ASa	Great Lodge Bottom. Downland.
<b>VC8</b> Wilton Brail Bentley Wood Bentley Wood	SU275628 SU260311 SU257312	2003 1988 1983	ER & JEO VWi Unknown	Broadwalk. In small glade at top of copse. Smokeway's Copse.

#### Alisma lanceolatum Narrow-leaved Water-plantain

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 absent

An emergent perennial herb that prefers shallow eutrophic calcareous water, or muddy margins. In Wiltshire it is only found in VC7, and historically was associated with the canal network. It is also found in the Bristol Avon, and in the Oaksey area. The locus of its national distribution is in the lowland canal system within central and southern England.

#### VC7

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Bradford-on-Avon	ST8160	1983	MWi	K & A Canal.
Bradford-on-Avon	ST846595	2006	JP	
Staverton	ST858619	2005	ĴР	River Avon.
Melksham	ST882620	1986	DG	Monkton House, River Avon.
Oaksey	ST997927	1987	CKi & MKi	Ford Bridge.
CWP	SU016943	2006	MMi & NSt	Lake 50.
CWP	SU019936	2004	MMi & NSt	Lake 46/48.
CWP	SU055943	2006	NSt	Pool south-west off Lake 50.

#### Allium oleraceum Field Garlic

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

#### IUCN Vulnerable

A bulbous perennial herb of open sunny situations. In North Wiltshire it has only been recorded in one site on an unimproved calcareous grassland bank, and it is not known if the plant is still there. Nationally its distribution follows carboniferous limestone strata, typically in steeply sloping limestone grassland, but also on open sunny banks in river floodplains.

Oliver's Castle	ST995648	1987	PCI	Base of hill.				
Alopecurus aequalis (	Orange Foxta	il		VC7	Native 7 Rare; VC8 absent			
associated with a varie	An annual grass, recorded only once recently in N. Wiltshire, in the muddy margins of a pond. Nationally it is associated with a variety of freshwater habitats, including ponds, reservoirs and gravel pits, where it is most frequently found on drying mud.							
<b>VC7</b> Aldbourne Chase	SU227758	1995	JN	Dewpond.				
<b>Anagallis arvensis ssp</b> Nationally Scarce	. foemina Blue	e Pimperno	el	VC	Archaeophyte 7 Rare; VC8 Rare			
An annual herb that is very characteristic of cultivated land, and especially arable fields. It is sometimes confused with the blue-flowered variant of Scarlet Pimpernel <i>A. arvensis</i> forma <i>azurea</i> , although this is more typical of semi-natural habitats. There are very few records in Wiltshire for this sub-species although it may be under-recorded.								
<b>VC7</b> Colerne Danks Down	ST811703 ST843757	1988 2006	DG SY	Near Lid Brook.				
<b>VC8</b> Easton Royal Easton Royal	SU207609 SU208609	1987 1987	ASu MMor	Garden.				

#### Anagallis tenella Bog Pimpernel

VC7

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

A creeping perennial herb, mainly found in wet open habitats. It is quite frequent in VC8 in the northern part of the New Forest, but in north Wiltshire it is far more scarce due to a lack of suitable habitats. Here it has been recorded in wet acidic grassland. *Anagallis tenella* often relies on livestock grazing to keep swards open, and has been lost from many of its former sites as a result of grassland improvement, drainage and eutrophication.

VC7				
Spye Park	ST945674	1988	DG	Over 10 square yards in marshland.
Derry Hill	ST954705	1993	EN	Derry Hill Farm, in a wet flush.
Ashton Keynes	SU036935	1986	DG	Small colony near Pit 40.

#### Antennaria dioica Mountain Everlasting

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

One very small single-sex population may be spreading slowly by vegetative means at Martin Down, in dry unimproved chalk grassland. Its Wiltshire population may be considered to be a rare southern outlier of the main range of *Antennaria* in the British Isles.

VC8				
Martin Down	SU052187	2006	MWa, SPi & SY	Small colony.

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#### Anthemis arvensis Corn Chamomile

#### IUCN Endangered

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An annual herb of light calcareous and sandy soils. It is typically found as a member of the arable weed community in cereal fields, but is also found in other regularly disturbed habitats, including roadsides and ryegrass leys. In S. Wiltshire it has mainly been recorded as an arable plant on light chalky soils, although it may have been confused with other similar composites.

V CO				
Chilmark	ST975314	2005	WBS	Home Farm.
Potterne	ST9859	1984	BHa	
DTE (SP)	ST990473	2005	BG	Berril Valley.
DTE (SP)	SU019476	2001	KWa	Southern Range Road.
Martin	SU070179	1986	RBo	Tidpit Common Down, arable field.
Bulford	SU184424	2006	TRe	Ratfyn Farm. Unconfirmed.
Pitton	SU23A	1987	MRe & PWi	-

#### Apera spica-venti Loose Silky-bent

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

#### IUCN Near Threatened

A lowland annual, most typically found on light soils in arable fields, where it can be a troublesome weed, but also other open habitats such as trackways and road-sides. Its appearance is sporadic and it rarely persists in one location for long. In both vice-counties *A. spica-venti* has been reported mainly from cereal fields.

VC7				
Biddestone	ST8678	1988	DG	
Biddestone	ST876739	1988	DG	Cornfield east of Chapscroft Wood.
Lacock	ST905675	1989	DG	
Lacock	ST906685	1988	DG	
Durlett	ST956638	1989	DG	
Bromham	ST985653	1987	DG	Barley field near Netherstreet Farm.
VC8				
Fiddington Sands	SU018547	1984	RFu	Edge of arable field.
Shortengrove	SU069327	1984	Unknown	In barley field. Numerous plants.
Shortengrove	SU06933 I	1984	Unknown	<i>,</i>
Shortengrove	SU072331	1984	Unknown	

#### Aphanes australis Slender Parsley-piert

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

A diminutive annual herb of dry acidic sandy or gravelly soils in open habitats. It is found along woodland rides, tracks, sand and gravel pits, and ant-hills and may be mis-recorded for the very similar *A. arvensis*, which is more characteristic of more neutral or base-rich soils. Its rarity in N. Wiltshire is a consequence of the scarcity of suitable soils; it is much more frequent in the New Forest corner of VC8.

VC7				
Savernake Forest	SU226654	1987	DG & RR	In ride.
Spye Park	ST949681	1990	DG	Arable land.
Spye Park	ST952679	1985	DG	Cultivated turf over sand.

#### Apium graveolens Wild Celery

VCS

A biennial or perennial herb of marginal brackish or freshwater habitats, most frequently found close to the sea in brackish ditches, sea-walls and tidal habitats, but inland occurring beside ponds, gravel pits and ditches. In VC8 it has been recorded from a ditch and a road verge near Marston.

Marston	ST965571	1989	BKa	Verge – not confirmed.
Marston	ST959566	1990	BHa	One plant in ditch.

#### Apium inundatum Lesser Marshwort

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

A perennial herb that is usually found in permanent still shallow water habitats, or bare mud that is subject to periodic inundation. Most of its sites are base-poor, and it is thus more typical of acidic habitats. It is rare in Wiltshire, and mostly found in the New Forest corner of the south.

<b>VC7</b> Savernake Forest	SU238642	1986	ASa	Plentiful, margins of Durley Pond.
<b>VC8</b> Redlynch East Grimstead Redlynch Plaitford Common	SU217186 SU220274 SU238175 SU271181	989  984  99  2005	DJW PWh DJW RV	Quar Hill Plantation, shallow water. Brookmead. In wet ditch S of river. Tinney's Plantation. Duckpond. Abundant in sluggish stream.

Arabis glabra Tower Mustard	Native
Nationally Scarce	VC7 Rare; VC8 absent
IUCN Endangered	UKBAP species

This biennial herb is notoriously ephemeral, needing bare, often-disturbed light soil. It is a poor competitor, and quickly disappears when the habitat becomes overgrown. It has only been recorded from a very localised area east of Melksham, on a site that is being managed to encourage the plant.

VC7				
Chittoe	ST964667	2006	JFo & DPr	One flowering plant only.

#### Artemisia absinthium Wormwood

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

This is a robust perennial herb that is typically found in waste places, roadsides, rough ground and other welldrained, open disturbed habitats. In Wiltshire, it has mostly been recorded in VC7. It is characteristically a plant of semi-urban habitats in the Midlands, although it is frequently also found in coastal locations, where it escapes severe cold. Its national distribution is believed to be relatively stable.

VC7				
Burton	ST8078	1988	JHa	In field.
Thickwood	ST8272	1989	DG	
Crudwell	ST969951	1985	MKi	In disused quarry.
CWP	SU012945	1985	DG	Pit 54. One plant by gate.
Little Bedwyn	SU263681	1990	JN	Near Golden Arrow.

Asparagus officinalis	ssp. officinalis	Garden A	sparagus	Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare
<b>e</b> ,			•	ial herb does best in light, free-draining in reason for its rarity in both VC7 and
<b>VC7</b> Swindon Swindon	SU148851 SU143832	99     990	JN JN	Railway station, in crumbling tarmac. At hospital. Persisted three years.
<b>VC8</b> Barford St Martin Trowbridge	SU056314 ST862591	1990 1986	MTy ECu	In churchyard. In cemetery.

Unknown

Road junction.

#### Astragalus danicus Purple Milk-vetch

ST883581

1991

Native VC7 absent; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Endangered

VC8

Ashton Common

The VC8 population represents the most southerly outpost of this species in Britain. Most of the sites are in short unimproved chalk downland on the eastern DTE (SP). Since 1930 A. danicus has been lost from many of its former lowland sites, because of loss of grazing or agricultural improvement.

VC8				
Durnford	SU152366	1985	PMo	Six plants at High Post Golf Course.
Silk Hill Plantation	SU185470	1987	Unknown	
DTE (SP) East	SU188469	2006	JAm	
Bulford Range	SU187454	1997	ASu	-
DTE (SP) East	SU182493	2006	JAm	
DTE (SP) East	SU188472	2006	JAm	Locally abundant.
DTE (SP) East	SU190469	2006	ER	
DTE (SP) East	SU191470	2006	SPi	In rich CG2 between barrows.
Bourne Bottom	SU191489	1984	Unknown	Amongst the long grass.
Haxton Down	SU203496	2006	JMo	Patch on N side of track.
Haxton Down	SU204500	2006	ER	Abundant, with fruits. By track.
Milston Down	SU207467	2006	JMo	Beside track.
Beacon Hill	SU210453	1984	ASa	Edge of grass track, at foot of hill.
DTE (SP) East	SU212462	2006	ER	In front of firing range butts.

#### Astragalus glycyphyllos Wild Liquorice

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

A perennial herb of warm, sheltered places, usually on calcareous soils, *A. glycyphyllos* is nowhere abundant in Wiltshire, forming persistent small colonies along field boundaries, rights of way and chalk grassland.

VC7				
Murhill	ST789608	1987	JMa	Murhill Farm.
Murhill	ST790607	1985	JMa	Murhill Farm.
Slaughterford	ST845734	1988	RR	
Lyneham	ST996779	1993	EN	Woodfarm meadows.
Binknoll Castle	SU108791	2006	RAi	Near small bowl on edge of plateau.

ST967313	1997	BL	
SU205303	2003	DJW & PMW	Nine plants.
SU2230	1988	DSt	-
SU245307	1988	VWi	Two plants close to hedge.
	SU205303 SU2230	SU205303 2003 SU2230 1988	SU205303 2003 DJW & PMW SU2230 1988 DSt

#### Atropa belladonna Deadly Nightshade

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

In Wiltshire, native populations of this robust perennial are restricted to dry calcareous soils, typically in open woodland, field margins, hedgerows and disturbed ground. In VC7 its distribution is very localised, and it is occasionally recorded as a colonist of new road embankments.

VCQ

VCO

Murhill	ST790607	2005	JP	Murhill Farm. Two plants.
Winsley	ST790611	2005	JР	Two plants, roadside.
Conkwell	ST7962	1984	DG	•
Rudloe	ST842712	1991	DG	Widdenham Farm.
Rudloe Wood	ST8470	1985	JBo	Mixed woodland.
Lacock	ST917683	1988	DG	

#### Berberis vulgaris Barberry

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

A deciduous shrub found mainly in hedgerows and coppices. In Wiltshire all records have been treated as native, although there is confusion with cultivated or naturalised stock. In the British Isles *B. vulgaris* is relatively widespread throughout lowland areas, although it was widely grubbed out and burnt by farmers in the nineteenth century because of the role it plays in hosting the wheat rust *Puccinia graminis*.

VCO				
Wingfield	ST812578	2006	SY	Stowford Farm, near stream.
East Knoyle	ST872316	1990	DPi	Upton.
Standlynch	SU185241	1997	TGa	-
Standlynch	SU2023	1995	Unknown	In a hedge near Downton.
East Grimstead	SU212288	2006	RLa	Ride edge, Nightwood Copse.

#### Bidens cernua Nodding Bur-marigold

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

An annual herb, growing in damp muddy or marginal habitats such as slow-flowing rivers and streams, canals and ponds. It tends to prefer more acidic habitats than *B. tripartita*. In VC7 it is most frequent in the Savernake Forest area.

VC7				
Bowood Park	ST9770	1984	DG	
Savernake Forest	SU217666	1984	DG	
Savernake Forest	SU221651	1999	JEO	Bitham Pond.
Savernake Forest	SU2266	1984	SHu & MRo	
Savernake Forest	SU2366	1984	SHu & MRo	
Savernake Forest	SU2367	1984	MRo	

#### Blechnum spicant Hard Fern

This fern is distinctly calcifugous, and is typically found on damp acidic soils in woodlands, on heathy banks, streamsides and in hedgerows. It is often regarded as an indicator species of old acidic woodlands. Its scarcity in N. Wiltshire is a reflection of the predominantly neutral or calcareous soils there, and it is far more abundant in VC8, particularly in the New Forest area.

VC/				
Bowood Park	ST951694	1990	DG	Raspberry Copse.
Brinkworth	SU042857	1994	PDa & TMu	Webb's Wood, beside old wheel rut.
Marlborough	SU155665	1984	WTNC	West Woods.
Savernake Forest	SU228674	2005	JEO	Octant I. One plant.
Savernake Forest	SU245684	2006	JN	Hens Wood. Two plants.
Great Bedwyn	SU271655	1984	MPo	Chisbury Wood.

#### Blysmus compressus Flat-sedge

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 absent

IUCN Vulnerable

VCT

In VC7 *B. compressus* is found in damp unimproved meadows, and pond and gravel-pit margins, although all records require updating. It is scattered throughout lowland Britain, most abundantly now in northern England. In the twentieth century it suffered a severe decline to its range, with losses caused by ploughing of old damp grasslands, drainage, fertilisers and reduced grazing.

VC7				
Ford	ST838747	1984	DG	Throughout Donscombe Meadow.
Yatton Keynell	ST868747	1989	DG	-
Ashton Keynes	SU036935	1986	DG	In meadows near Pit 40.
Ramsbury	SU280714	1984	DG	Water meadow by River Kennet.

#### Bolboschoenus maritimus Sea Club-rush

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

Usually associated with brackish coastal habitats, this rhizomatous perennial can sometimes be found inland on the margins of lakes and gravel pits. Two sites have been recorded in VC7, only one of which can be considered to be genuinely native.

Bremhill	ST994747	1987	DH	Bremhill House Lake. Planted?.
CWP	SU066935	2006	WBS	Scattered and local, with Phragmites.

#### **Botrychium lunaria Moonwort**

VC7

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

This diminutive fern is known from only two sites in unimproved grassland.

<b>VC7</b> Green Hill	SU070869	1992	PWi	Restrop Farm.
<b>VC8</b> Tisbury	ST92	1986	MMob	Exact location confidential.

#### **Briza minor Lesser Quaking-grass** Nationally Scarce

This annual grass prefers light, non-calcareous soils and is most frequently associated with arable habitats. There is only one record from Wiltshire. In Britain its distribution is heavily biased towards the light sandy soils of the warm south coast, with particular foci in Hampshire, Dorset and Cornwall.

DIW & PMW

# Bromus commutatus Meadow Brome

SU231222

2005

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

Near Lowden's Copse, field margin.

An annual grass often regarded as an indicator species of unimproved neutral grassland, it is widespread in the heavy neutral clay pastures of VC7 but much scarcer in VC8. Agricultural improvements to old pasture have contributed to a decline in its range everywhere.

VC8				
Wingfield	ST809569	1990	GY	Footpath near Pomeroy Wood.
Westbury	ST873505	1986	DG	
Sells Green	ST948618	1984	DG	In a hay meadow.
Teffont Evias	ST989317	1988	VHo	Wide rough road verge, 2-3 plants.
Chilhampton	SU094332	1989	BL	In farm yard by A36.
Porton	SU185362	1987	JFr	Eley's Farm. Unimproved meadow.
Perham Down	SU245487	1995	JEO	

#### Bromus racemosus Smooth Brome

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

This annual grass is virtually confined to unimproved pastures with a seasonally high water table, including traditionally managed hay meadows and ridge-and-furrow pasture, where it sometimes occurs with *B. commutatus*. Like that species, it is still widespread in VC7, but is much rarer in VC8.

#### VC8

**VC8** Whiteparish

Whiteparish	SU228229	1991	DJW	In field near Goose-eye Copse.
Hamtworth Estate	SU221198	1990	DJW	Unimproved meadow.

#### Bromus secalinus Rye Brome

Nationally Scarce

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

An annual or biennial grass of arable fields, as well as disturbed ground and ryegrass leys. It has only been recorded sporadically in Wiltshire. It used to be widespread in arable crops throughout lowland Britain, but has undergone a major decline since the early twentieth century.

VC7				
Easton Grey	ST885873	1999	DG et al.	In arable crop.
Water Eaton	SU I 3995 I	1991	PWi	South Farm. One plant.
<b>VC8</b> Brigmerston Down Bulford Down	SU202475 SU205437	2002 2002	ASu ASu	Stephen's Mound, Beacon Hill.
Cholderton	SU231427	2002	JMo	Possible contaminant in oat crop.

#### Callitriche brutia Pedunculate Water-starwort

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An annual or perennial herb, known in VC8 only from the New Forest. *C. brutia* is a mainly lowland species, favouring ephemeral habitats like flooded ruts, puddles and semi-terrestrially, poached muddy ground.

VC0				
Penn Common	SU272165	1993	PBo	In small tree-shaded pond.
Cadnam Green	SU284143	1991	PBo	In small dry pool.
Furzley Common	SU285166	2005	RV	Abundant in shallow pool.
West Wellow	SU298198	1997	PBo	Bed of pond near Hatches Farm.

#### Callitriche hamulata Intermediate Water-starwort

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

This is an aggregate of closely-related taxa, widely but locally distributed in S. Wiltshire especially in the New Forest. Only one relatively old record exists for VC7. *C. hamulata* prefers acidic, nutrient-poor water, both permanent standing habitats and flowing water.

VC7 Calstone Wellington	SU022688	1987	JLo	River Marden.		
Callitriche hermaphroditica Autumnal Water-starwortNativeVC7 absent; VC8 Rare						
This is an annual species of mesotrophic, still water bodies, including pits, canals and lakes. Its main distribution is in central and northern England and Northern Ireland, and it has only been recorded once from South Wiltshire, in the New Forest.						
VC8 Redlynch	SU217186	1989	DJW	Quar Hill. One plant in pond.		

#### Callitriche platycarpa Various-leaved Water-starwort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*C. platycarpa* has probably been under-recorded in the past, or misrecorded as *C. stagnalis*. A perennial species, it is most commonly found in eutrophic, standing water, especially ditches and canals. It is a widespread species in VC8.

Melksham	ST896623	2005	JP	Berryfield. Abundant in brook.
Avebury	SU099696	1981	Unknown	New Bridge.
Clatford	SU156688	1981	Unknown	Clatford Farm.
Mildenhall	SU2169	2006	DBr	River Kennet 500m below bridge.
Ramsbury	SU273713	2006	JN	In Ramsbury Pond.
Ramsbury	SU291713	1993	Unknown	Knighton loop, River Kennet.
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#### Campanula patula Spreading Bellflower

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

There is only one recent site for *C. patula*, close to the Wiltshire-Gloucestershire border. It is typically found in a variety of open, sunny habitats on poor, well-drained soils. It is biennial, and is capable of reappearing from the seed-bank following long absences.

#### VC7

Silkwood Arboretum ST849893 1989 DG Two small populations.

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

This species has only been recorded at one site in VC7, and is almost completely absent from south-west England. It is a herb of damp to wet acidic habitats including streamsides, marshes, flushes and carr, preferring still or slowly-moving water.

## VC7 Dauntsey ST986813 1987 Unknown Union Farm.

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

This species is mostly found in VC7, on the banks of ditches, ponds, pits, and running water habitats, as well as damp unimproved neutral grassland. It is a densely tufted perennial, preferring habitats subject to regular inundation.

#### VC7

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Bradford-on-Avon	ST817605	2005	GY	Nr River Avon.
Rodbourne	ST937842	1987	DG	Gauze Brook.
Tedcroft	ST948856	1985	DG	Marshy meadow.
Braydon Pond	ST999875	1985	DG	Mostly at swampy end.
Braydon Pond	SU001881	1986	JFr	Eastern edge of main pond.
Cricklade	SU094946	1986	Unknown	North Meadow, in main meadow.
Coate Water	SU175817	2004	JN	
Coate Water	SU180817	1990	JN	Abundant.
VC8				
Amesbury	SUI 56427	2003	NGr	In River Avon.

#### Carex binervis Green-ribbed Sedge

Carex acuta Slender Tufted-sedge

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

This perennial species requires open habitats on acidic soils, hence its rarity in VC7. Its main county stronghold is in the heaths and mires of the New Forest (VC8). In VC7 it has also been recorded in less typical unimproved neutral grassland, where there are local acidic influences.

VC/				
Heywood	ST898762	1996	PDa	
Seagry	ST942816	1996	PDa	Seagry Wood.
Clattinger Farm	SU014933	2005	JFo	A few plants in acid soil near gate.

#### Carex curta White Sedge

C. curta is a perennial species of very wet, acidic habitats, including mires and wet heaths, so in Wiltshire it has only been recorded in the New Forest area.

Plaitford Common	SU269177	1994	RV	
Plaitford Common	SU277189	2005	RV	Frequent on south edge of SU2719.
Plaitford Common	SU277192	1994	RV	In willow carr.
West Wellow Common	SU283189	2005	RV	Maybe more in mire nearby.
West Wellow Common	SU283191	2005	RV	In carr, maybe more in mire nearby.

#### Carex digitata Fingered Sedge

Nationally Scarce

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A perennial sedge that has been long known from a few localities in rocky oolitic woodland in the By Brook valley in the west of VC7. Populations are small but appear to be relatively stable.

Slaughterford	ST838736	2005	LCa	Coombs Wood, protected verge.
Ford	ST841747	2005	LCa	Common Hill, protected road verge.

#### Carex distans Distant Sedge

This is typically a species of coastal habitats in the British Isles, but when it does occur inland, as it does in Wiltshire, it is usually found in damp, mesotrophic open habitats, including floodplain meadows and marshes. It is relatively widespread in the alluvial habitats of VC7, but there have been only two recent records in VC8.

VC8				
Semington	ST923598	1991	BHa	Semington Brook
Poulshot	ST957598	1990	BHa	In brook.

Carex	echinata	Star	Sedge
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Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

C. echinata is typically a species of neutral or acidic wet habitats, including mires, wet heath, flushes, springs, open carr, wet grassland and moorland. In VC7 it is confined to water-meadows in the River Kennet valley. It is more widely distributed in VC8, particularly on the peaty soils in the New Forest area.

VC/			
Savernake Forest	SU2264	1984	ASu
Ramsbury	SU2871	1984	BPh & JN

Carex filiformis Downy-fruited Sedge	
Nationally Rare	VC7 Scarce; VC8

C. filiformis has been recorded from the CWP area in VC7 for several centuries, and the plant continues to survive there in protected sites, including the old hay meadows of Clattinger Farm. In the British Isles its native distribution is mainly confined to the Thames valley floodplain in a range of different habitats.

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

Native

VC7 not scarce; VC8 rare

Native 8 absent

VC7				
Clattinger Farm	SU014935	2005	SPi & JFo	Plenty near ditch / path.
Swillbrook Meadow	SU035927	1993	BG	In ridge and furrow field.

#### Carex hostiana Tawny Sedge

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Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*C. hostiana* is surprisingly scarce in the county, and could be under-recorded. It is a perennial herb of damp habitats including neutral grassland, wet meadows, base-rich mires and fens. In VC7 it has been recorded in water-meadows and unimproved base-rich grassland. The VC8 record needs checking to see if the population is extant.

VC7 Clattinger Farm CWP CWP Pike Corner CWP Chilton Foliat	SU016936 SU035953 SU037934 SU072949 SU327701	2006 1986 2006 2006 1986	SPi DG GLe & LMa SPi & JFo DG	Frequent in meadows. Pit 24, scraped ground, I plant Many plants across two fields. Lake 68a by path.
<b>VC8</b> Damerham	SU105153	1977	РВо	South End.

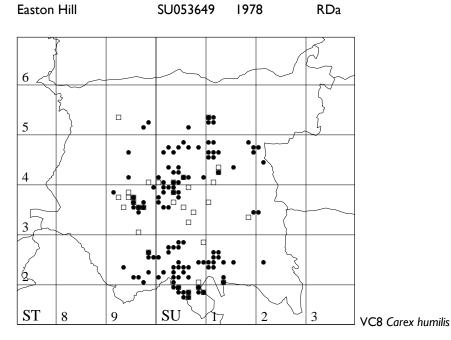
#### Carex humilis Dwarf Sedge

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

South Wiltshire falls within the national stronghold of *C. humilis*, where it is a characteristic plant of short, usually species-rich unimproved chalk grassland. It is frequent in shorter swards on Salisbury Plain, and is often associated with old tracks and banks. In places it can be very locally abundant (for example at Martin Down). It was last recorded in VC7 in 1978, and this record needs updating.

#### VC7



#### Carex laevigata Smooth-stalked Sedge

In Wiltshire *C. laevigata* occurs mainly in wet clay woodland, and grassy woodland clearings. In South Wiltshire it is especially characteristic of the New Forest area.

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ST943817	1995	PDa
ST957664	1984	DG
ST957673	1985	DG
	ST957664	ST957664 1984

In north-east part of Seagry Wood. Chittoe Wood.

#### Carex muricata ssp. lamprocarpa Prickly Sedge

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

This is by far the commoner of the two subspecies of *C. muricata*, but is very uncommon in the county. It prefers dry, light soils, in a range of open habitats, as it is shade-intolerant. In Wiltshire it prefers sandy, acidic substrates.

Bowden Park	ST940688	1987	DG	
VC8				
Plaitford	SU276204	1986	RV	Manor Farm.
West Wellow	SU2818	1987	RV	Also Plaitford.
West Wellow	SU288195	1991	RV	Maury's Lane.
Plaitford	SU297204	1986	RV	

#### Carex pallescens Pale Sedge

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*C. pallescens* is a perennial species of acid to neutral clay soils in Wiltshire, in woodland rides, clearings, meadows and other open habitats.

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Leigh Delamere	ST8878	1986	JHa	Stanton Park Wood.
Bowood	ST962692	1988	ĒR	Pilpot Wood.
Braydon Wood	ST999880	1985	DG	Frequent in Pond Plantation.
Braydon Wood	SU0088	1986	MSt	Widespread in local rides.
Calne	SU017704	1987	BG	Lower Sands Farm, on bank.
Somerford Common	SU026863	1984	JFr	In damp ride.
Somerford Common	SU032866	1984	JFr	In damp ride.
Brinkworth	SU048858	1986	MSt	Webb's Wood, in clearing.

#### Carex pseudocyperus Cyperus Sedge

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

*C. pseudocyperus* typically colonises open or new aquatic fringe habitats. It is a shade-tolerant perennial, and is widespread in North Wiltshire, especially in the margins of ponds and flooded gravel pits in the CWP. Because it is an attractive sedge, it is also sometimes planted in ponds in e.g. new country parks.

VC8				
Westbury	ST867524	1986	DG	Brick pit, one clump.
Semington	ST915608	2004	Unknown	

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This very common perennial species is absent from much of Wiltshire, although it has been recorded from a wide range of habitats, including dry chalk grassland, woodland rides, and damp meadows.

VC/				
Somerford Common	SU030863	1985	RR	
Calstone Down	SU047683	1989	BG	N-facing bank at foot of steep down.
Chilton Foliat	SU323701	1987	SKi	Water meadow. Small patches.
Chilton Foliat	SU325699	1988	DG	Kennet side, water meadow.
<b>VC8</b> Pewsey Hale Chadwell	SU166611 SU214184 SU239221	2006 1990 1988	JN DJW DJW	Jones' Mill, scattered in meadow. Damp, ungrazed meadows. Wet meadow.
Chadwell	30237221	1700	0,**	vvec meadow.

#### Carex rostrata Bottle Sedge

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*C. rostrata* is a perennial species that often forms characteristic pure emergent stands on the edges of ponds, lakes, canals, bog pools and flowing water. In Wiltshire it has been recorded in pond edges, fens and ditches.

<b>VC7</b> Knighton	SU295712	1987	JN	Six plants found.
VC8		1005	55	
Beechingstoke	SU085593	1985	RFu	Several plants in small fen.
Pewsey	SU168613	2006	JN	Jones' Mill.
Redlynch	SU216214	1989	DJW	Lower Pensworth Farm, pond edge.
Plaitford	SU2618	1999	RV	
Plaitford Common	SU277190	1999	RV	North end, in alder carr.

#### Carex viridula ssp. brachyrryncha Long-stalked Yellow-sedge

Native

VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*C. viridula* ssp. *brachyrrhyncha* has been recorded in damp places on base-rich soils, mainly in neutral and calcareous grassland. It may have been recorded in other locations in the past, and identified as the closely related subspecies *oedocarpa*. Both species show considerable morphological variation.

VC/					
Limpley Stol	ke	ST787627	1986	DG	In pasture near Dundas Aqueduct.
Colerne		ST8070	1988	DG	
Hullavington	ı	ST890817	1986	Unknown	Marshy field.
CWP		SU034938	1989	DG	Northern edge of Pit 40.
Ashton Keyr	nes	SU035935	1986	DG & SWh	C C
CWP Pike C	Corner	SU036934	1986	DG	
CWP		SU052950	1983	SHa	Near Pit 10.
VC8					
Damerham		SU0816	1996	RV	
Damerham		SU093174	1996	RV	Knoll Farm, water meadow.
Gomeldon		SU180358	1987	JFr	West Gomeldon Farm.

#### Carex viridula ssp. viridula Small-fruited Yellowsedge

VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

In Wiltshire this is a very uncommon species indeed, although it may have possibly been under-recorded due to its small stature. It is a lowland perennial, which occurs in a range of habitats, but in the wider context of the British Isles, it usually occurs on flushed acidic soils, but also locally on base-rich substrates.

<b>VC7</b> Ashton Keynes	SU035935	1986	DG	
VC8 Crockerton	ST8442	1993	BL	Aucombe Marsh.

#### Catabrosa aquatica Whorl-grass

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

*C. aquatica* is found in ponds, river-banks and other very wet places but is a rather rare plant here. This plant has been lost from many former stations by the infilling and neglect of ponds and other habitats.

VC/				
Hullavington	ST879824	1986	Unknown	Boggy meadow.
CWP	SU064936	2006	SPi & JN	Lake 68c abundant at muddy edges.
Wootton Bassett	SU067847	1984	DG	Flaxlands Manor, spring-fed pond.
West Overton	SU128682	1993	Unknown	Road-bridge over River Kennet.
VC8				
Broad Chalke	SU040255	1994	BL & SGr	
Britford	SU168281	1994	PWi & MRe	Water meadow ditch.
Downton	SU182235	1985	PWi	Standlynch Mill, River Avon.
Whiteparish	SU243220	1986	PMW	Chadwell Farm, in well.

#### Centaurea cyanus Cornflower

Nationally Rare

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Archaeophyte and introduced VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce UKBAP species

One of our rarest arable plants, this annual species occasionally appears on farmland. It is much more frequently found in waste ground and other disturbed places where it occurs as a casual or garden escape. It is also sometimes sown in native wildflower mixes in landscape schemes. All records are mapped here as archaeophytes, apart from obvious casuals.

VC7				
Whitley	ST883662	1985	KPa	Whitley Farm.
Swindon	SUI 23865	1998	WBS	Near old railway line.
Wootton Bassett	SUI 3384 I	1991	PAn	
Great Bedwyn	SU251636	1986	FPr	Tottenham House Park, cornfield.

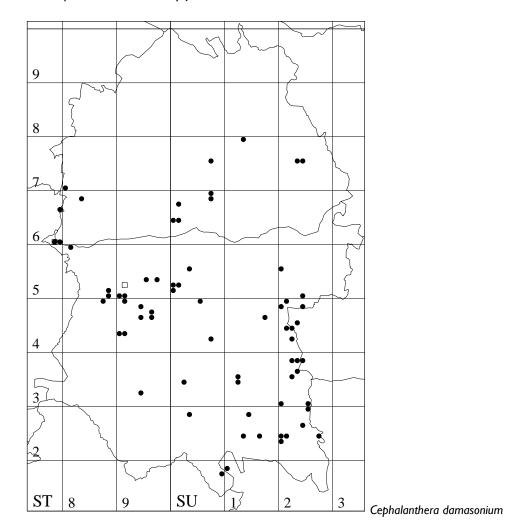
VC8				
Crockerton	ST842426	1994	JNo	Aucombe Marsh.
Edington	ST933545	1986	BHa	West side of lane.
Marston	ST962566	1986	BHa	In middle of field.
Larkhill	SU147434	2003	SFo	King's Barrow Farm.
Easton	SU212619	2006	JN	Conygre Farm. Long-known site.
Cholderton	SU219436	2004	JN	Wheatfield margin.
Burbage	SU223616	1988	WWh	Westcourt.
Cholderton	SU2242	2004	ABy	Arable headland.
Cholderton	SU2443	2000	BL	Possibly planted. Farmland.
Shalbourne	SU308627	1999	CMc	Carver's Hill Farm.

## Cephalanthera damasonium White Helleborine

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

## IUCN Vulnerable

*C. damasonium* is a lowland rhizomatous perennial that is especially characteristic of *Fagus* plantation and other open woodland edges and understoreys. It is confined to dry chalk and limestone. Whilst it is still widespread in Wiltshire (especially VC8) there has been a steep decline across Great Britain in recent decades, and in consequence it has recently joined the red list.



## Cerastium diffusum Sea Mouse-ear

In the British Isles *C. diffusum* is most familiar as an annual of coastal habitats. In Wiltshire it occupies a specific ecological niche, growing on ant-hills in old chalk downland. It may be under-recorded.

<b>VC7</b> Milk Hill Milk Hill	SU101637 SU099638	1984 1985	KPa KPa	On ant hills, very local. On ant hills on escarpment top.
<b>VC8</b> Martin Down Porton Down	SU036200 SU208351	1991 1999	RBo PWi	Short turf at edge of car park. Battery Hill, on anthills.

Cerastium pumilum Dwarf Mouse-ear	
Nationally Scarce	
IUCN Near Threatened	

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

Wiltshire is one of the main British strongholds for this species, which, because it is a winter annual, is also likely to be under-recorded. It occurs mainly in open, sparsely-vegetated calcareous habitats, but on DTE (SP) it has been noted in disturbed gravelly ground.

<b>VC7</b> Milk Hill	SU104637	1988	KPa	On ant-hills.
<b>VC8</b> DTE (SP) West DTE (SP) East Sidbury Hill	ST945456 SU209495 SU210500	2006 2001 2006	SPi PWi SPi	Track edge near Vedette I. Tactical disturbance. Disturbed ground in valley bottom.

#### Cerastium semidecandrum Little Mouse-ear

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*C.* semidecandrum is a rare species here, found on ant-hills in old grassland, in disturbed ground close to tank tracks on DTE (SP) and on woodland tracks. It usually prefers well-drained sandy or calcareous soils, and needs an open situation.

<b>VC7</b> Tan Hill Okus	SU097646 SU142832	1985 1986	Unknown DG	Ant hill on edge of downland top. Sandy bank.
<b>VC8</b> Breach Hill Grovely Wood Great Fore Down Sidbury Hill	SU004466 SU012343 SU042542 SU214506	1986 1985 1991 1982	BG BL BG ASa	Both sides of MOD track. Dry open pathway through wood. On anthills in impact area.

## Ceratocapnos claviculata Climbing Corydalis

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*C. claviculata* is a rare plant in the county, where it is found in more acidic woodland habitats including clear-felled conifer plantation and semi-natural broad-leaved woodland. It is an annual species of well-drained soils.

VC7				
Seagry	ST942817	2004	MWa	Rough ground with fallen trees.
Savernake Forest	SU237660	2006	JN	Birch Copse.
VC8				
Stourton	ST749335	1991	PMW	Castle Wood, rides and clearfell.
Gasper	ST753337	2006	SPi & PMW	Mature conifer plantation nr stream.
Stourton	ST753348	2006	SPi & PMW	Convent Bottom near main track.
Stourton	ST753351	2006	WBS	Good plants trailing over a stump.
Stourton	ST760354	1991	PMW	St Peter's Cross.
Stourton	ST768344	1991	PMW	Edge of pond.
Teffont Evias	ST982317	1988	AHu	Edge of Upper Holt Wood.

## Chamaemelum nobile Chamomile

Native VC7 Extinct; VC8 not scarce

IUCN Vulnerable

In VC8, *C. nobile* is mainly found in the New Forest, where it typically occurs in pony-trampled damp commons and clearings, sometimes with *Mentha pulegium* and other uncommon species.

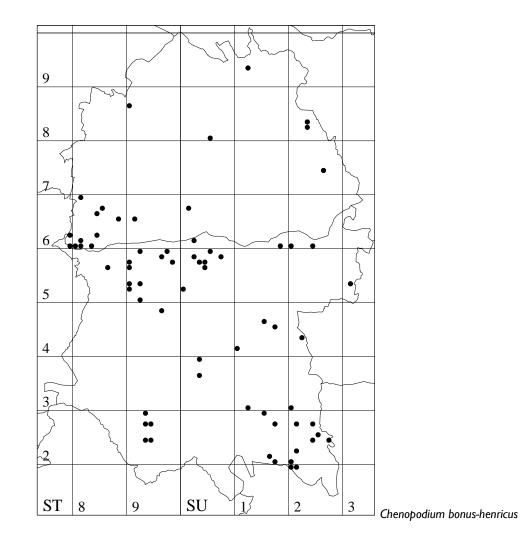
VC8				
Damerham	SU092138	1989	РВо	Lopshill Common.
Landford Common	SU261187	2002	RV	Shallow pool in damp heath.
Bramshaw	SU2616	1992	RV	
Bramshaw	SU273157	1991	RV	
Penn Common	SU274172	1991	AHu	Sturtmoor Common.
Penn Common	SU278168	2005	RV	Abundant in turf.
Plaitford Common	SU278192	1985	RV	
Furzley Common	SU281158	1991	AHu	
Furzley Common	SU2816	2005	RV	Growing in extensive areas of turf.
West Wellow Common	SU2818	1991	RV	-
Plaitford Common	SU282193	1991	AHu	
Canada Common	SU285171	1991	AHu	
Cadnam Common	SU289149	2005	MRa	Near Storm's Farm.

## Chenopodium bonus-henricus Good-King-Henry

Archaeophyte VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Vulnerable

Formerly a widespread perennial of cultivated and disturbed ground, *C. bonus-henricus* appears to have been lost from many of its former Wiltshire locations in the last few decades. It typically occurs on fertile soils close to roads, farm buildings and ruins.



# Chenopodium hybridum Maple-leaved Goosefoot

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*C. hybridum* occurs occasionally in arable crops on fertile soils, especially in the Salisbury area. It has also been recorded as an opportunist on dumped soil and disturbed ground. In VC7 it is very rare, occurring sporadically in one location as a garden weed.

VC7 Devizes	ST998618	1989	JP	Garden weed.
Chenopodium murale	Nettle-leave	d Goosefoot	:	

Archaeophyte VC7 *absent*; VC8 Rare

IUCN Vulnerable

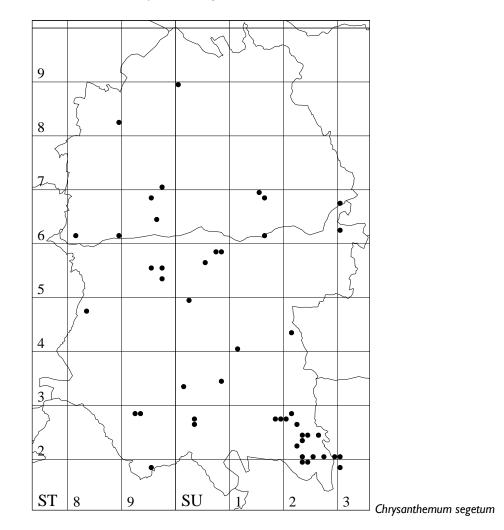
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There have been no records of this species since 1987 in VC8; it is however of sporadic appearance, and may have been under-recorded. It is an annual of cultivated fertile land and waste ground.

VCo				
Hindon	ST9031	1987	PCh & AHu	Footpath south-west of village.
Fonthill Gifford	ST900316	1987	AHu	At edge of field of maize.
Upper Chicksgrove	ST961307	1984	DFo	Bridleway.

# IUCN Vulnerable

*C. segetum* still occurs sporadically in cultivated land on well-drained sands and other base-poor soils, mostly in VC8, and especially in the vicinity of the New Forest. It also occurs occasionally as a garden escape, and where earth disturbance exposes a long-buried seedbank.



# Chrysosplenium alternifolium Alternate-leaved Golden-saxifrage

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

*C. alternifolium* usually occurs in wet ground by streams, in boggy ground, and other shaded wet places, often in woods. The species appears to have long been an uncommon species in the county, with all records collected between 1985 and 1990. It is not known if these populations are extant.

<b>VC7</b> Lacock Bromham Whetham	ST947698 ST963657 SU183678	1990 1985 1985	DG DG DG	West of Loxwell Farm. In valley by woodland. Wet wood below Weavers Bridge.
<b>VC8</b> Gasper West Tisbury Dinton	ST765330 ST905298 SU006307	986   986   988	EEI MSC SPr	Cools Farm. Several patches by River Nadder.

## Cirsium tuberosum Tuberous Thistle

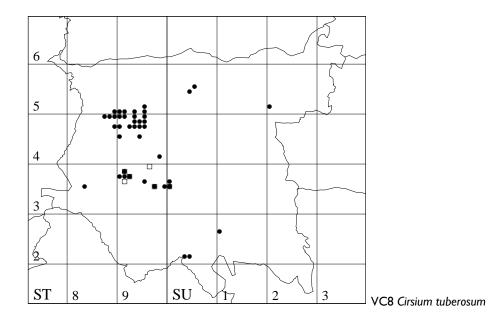
In SSSI. Not seen recently.

Nationally Rare IUCN Near Threatened

South Wiltshire holds the largest remaining British population of C. tuberosum, which is particularly characteristic of rank CG3 (Bromopsis erecta) grasslands on the Imber Ranges of DTE (SP). It has not been recorded in VC7 since 1984, but the Salisbury Plain populations appear to be relatively stable. Hybridisation with C. acaule is a threat to pure C. tuberosum in short downland turf.

# VC7

Calstone Down	SU044687	1974	PHe
Knap Hill	SUI 19636	1979	SLa
Knap Hill	SU122636	1984	DPi



# Cirsium x medium Tuberous Thistle x Dwarf Thistle

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

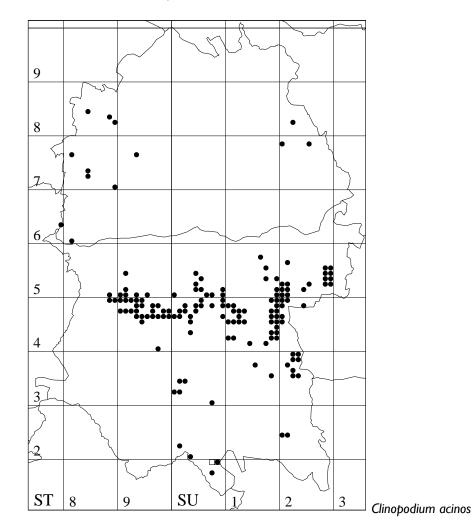
C. x medium usually occurs where C. tuberosum grows close to C. acaule, the latter being a common species of short-grazed downland. In some places such as at Martin Down, the hybrid has been recorded in the absence of C. tuberosum, which occurred nearby in the past.

VC7				
Olivers Castle	SU001646	1986	DG	Top of hill and below path.
Olivers Castle	SU001651	1986	DG	Edge of track, dropping through site.
Oldbury Castle	SU046694	1986	DG	To SU045688.
Milk Hill	SU098636	1985	KPa	
Avebury	SU102697	1989	VSc	Cule Banks.
Knap Hill	SUI 19635	1989	KPa	
Knap Hill	SU122636	1985	VSc	

## Clinopodium acinos Basil Thyme

#### IUCN Vulnerable

Many locations for this species were found during the Wiltshire Flora Mapping Project in the 1980s, but there are fewer recent records, probably due to under-recording on DTE (SP), where it is quite common. *C. acinos* is a diminutive annual of open, sunny calcareous ground, typically short grassland, rocky places, and track-sides where there is little competition.

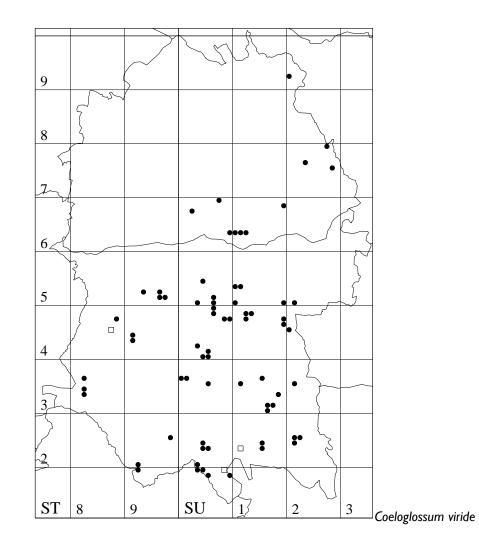


#### Coeloglossum viride Frog Orchid

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

## IUCN Vulnerable

*C. viride* is an inconspicuous and diminutive perennial orchid, which in Wiltshire is usually found in colonies in very short, species-rich downland. It is widespread but local in VC8, and much less common in North Wiltshire. It is possibly under-recorded in some suitable but privately-owned chalk grassland sites. Many of its sites are already protected, but the species has declined considerably everywhere in recent decades and is now red listed.

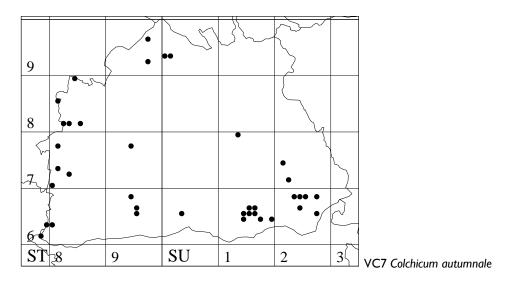


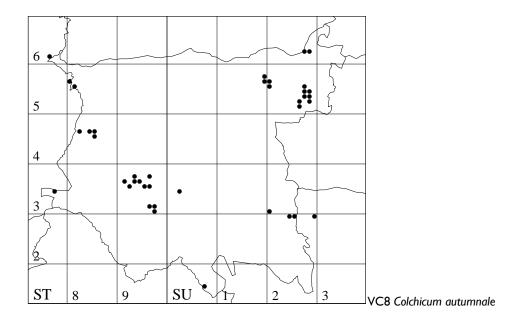
# Colchicum autumnale Meadow Saffron

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

IUCN Near Threatened

Wiltshire lies within the main British locus for *C. autumnale*; it has been recorded in many locations within VC7 and VC8. It is a perennial, found in woodland clearings and rides, as well as in damp grassy places.





# Cuscuta epithymum Dodder

Native VC7 absent; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Vulnerable

*C. epithymum* was formerly widespread across the British Isles but its range has greatly contracted as many of its former habitats have been lost or destroyed. In Wiltshire it is relatively widespread, if uncommon, in VC8. This perennial herb parasitises certain herbs and small shrubs on chalk grassland and dry heathland.

VC8				
Starveall	ST996397	1989	VHo	Widespread on steep downland.
Parsonage Down	SU035411	1984	BG	On bank of camp.
Parsonage Down	SU0541	2003	ADa	On an ant hill, parasitising thyme.
Westdown Camp	SU058485	2006	SGr	Earthwork NW of pumping station.
Grovely Down	SU0832	1985	PPh	
Larkhill Ranges	SU097537	1990	BG	Sprawling over large anthill.
Rushall Down	SU105528	1990	DCo	Abundant south of ditch.
DTE (SP) East	SU200508	2006	ER	Frequent plants in area.
Whaddon Common	SU2026	1996	TGa	Hosts Melilotus and Lycopus.
Sidbury Hill	SU213496	2006	JMo	Inside fence at foot of hill.
Plaitford Common	SU278188	2005	RV	Four plants on <i>Calluna</i> .
Furzley Bog	SU287165	2005	DJW, PMW & RV	Growing on Ulex.

#### Cuscuta europaea Great Dodder

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*C. europaea* has been recorded regularly in a small part of the Avon valley in the west of the county between Staverton and Limpley Stoke (where most sites lie in VC7). It parasitises *Urtica dioica* on river banks and in damp meadows, and its numbers fluctuate from year to year.

VC7				
Limpley Stoke	ST783608	1987	JMa	Very long history at this site.
Turleigh	ST805604	2006	GY	Barton Farm Country Park.
Bradford on Avon	ST821606	2006	GY	Southern bank of river.
Staverton	ST849604	1984	GY	Near Great Bradford Wood.
Staverton	ST855610	1988	Unknown	
Holt	ST882616	2005	JP	On easten side of River Avon.
Holt	ST882621	1986	Unknown	Abundant near river bridge.
VC8				
Freshford	ST789606	1997	JP	By River Avon.
Westwood	ST798598	1989	Unknown	By River Avon.

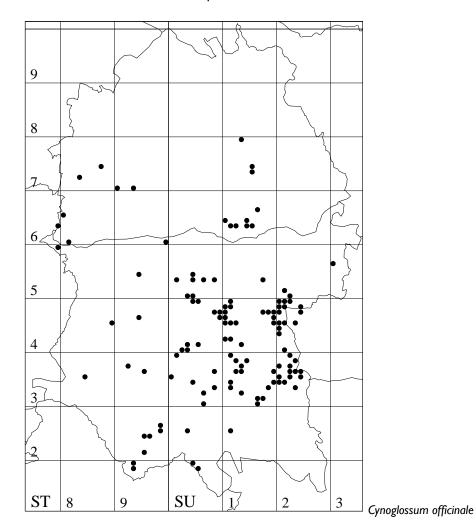
## Cynoglossum officinale Hound's-tongue

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

# IUCN Near Threatened

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*C. officinale* is especially frequent on disturbed calcareous ground in VC8. It is frequent where scrub and tree clearance has been undertaken on DTE (SP) in the east. It can also be found in field edges, and often marks the site of rabbit burrows, as it is unpalatable.



## Cystopteris fragilis Brittle Bladder-fern

This is a very rare Wiltshire fern; in both vice-counties it is confined to damp crevices and recesses in limestone structures, including walls, buildings and bridges.

VC7 North Wraxall Long Newnton Chippenham Chippenham	ST828638 ST911910 ST920735 ST9272	1987 2003 2003 2003	JP CKi & MKi JN WBS	On stone by stream and bridge. South face of bridge over R. Avon. Town centre. Grating above cellar. Gratings above basement windows.
<b>VC8</b> Dinton Devizes	SU004319 SU006612	1987 1983	MTy DG	Philipps House, in courtyard wall. Long Street.

#### Dactylorhiza incarnata ssp. pulchella Early Marsh-orchid

Native

VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

#### IUCN Waiting List

This tuberous perennial has been recorded from two sites on the Wiltshire-Gloucestershire border where it was found in unimproved neutral grassland and *Salix* scrub over gravel. Elsewhere it is typically a species of valley mires, marshes and wet heathland. *D. incarnata sensu lato* has been recorded from scattered sites across VC7 and VC8 and it is possible that ssp. *pulchella* may be present in some of these undifferentiated populations.

VC7				
Cricklade	SU096945	1994	GGo	North Meadow, near telegraph pole.
CWP	SU045961	1995	DG & SWh	In willow scrub on gravel.

## Dianthus armeria Deptford Pink

Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8 Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare UKBAP species

This species has never been common in the county and many records originated from before 1947. It has only been recorded reliably in recent years from a single downland site on the Larkhill and Westdown Ranges of DTE (SP). However, it could easily occur elsewhere on Salisbury Plain. It is not known whether the VC7 record is still extant.

<b>VC8</b> DTE (SP) Central	SU063510	2006	PSk	60 + plants near top of slope.	
		2000	TOR		
Dianthus deltoides Maiden Pink					

Nationally Scarce IUCN Near Threatened Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

D. deltoides was first recorded at Bourne Bottom (on DTE (SP) Bulford Ranges) in 1876, in open, slightly disturbed trackside grassland and the population was last recorded there in 2001, despite searches since. It has not been recorded anywhere else in Wiltshire.

VC8				
DTE (SP)	SU191484	2001	KWa	Bourne Bottom.
Figheldean Down	SU1849	1982	ABe	

## Diplotaxis tenuifolia Perennial Wall-rocket

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

This perennial herb has been recorded in a range of man-made habitats in Wiltshire, including car parks, roadsides, railway embankments, arable margins and waste ground. It has never been common here, and mostly appears briefly as a single plant, before disappearing again.

VC7				
Bradford on Avon	ST816630	1986	JP	By the Farleigh Wick road.
Swindon	SU145855	1989	ĴN	Abundant nr Oasis.
Swindon	SU153832	1989	ĴN	Old stone railway embankment.
VC8				
Grovely	SU021343	1987	BL	Pitt Coppice Down.
Salisbury	SU143306	1984	PMo	Railway bridge. Nearly gone 1985.

#### Draba muralis Wall Whitlowgrass

Nationally Scarce

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Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

This is an early-flowering annual of limestone walls and other stony places in Wiltshire. At it best-known site, in VC7, many plants grow on a partly fallen oolitic limestone wall, with *Erophila verna* and *Saxifraga tridactylites*.

VC7 Long Newnton	ST907915	2004	JWa	Shipton Mill, tumbledown wall.
VC8 Stratford Toney	SU091266	1994	Unknown	At the church.

#### Dryopteris aemula Hay-scented Buckler-fern

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

A small population of *D. aemula* was found in 1984 in a shallow, wooded stream valley at Landford in VC8. An intensive search in 2005 failed to refind the plants, and it is feared that the population may have been lost as its habitat is thought to lie within commercial forestry. A second record, in VC8 (Hampshire) was a single plant growing on a rotten *Fagus* stump in replanted mixed woodland, not refound in 2006. The species is very shade tolerant, but clear-felling can rapidly destroy populations.

VC8				
Damerham	SU084161	1999	IRa	Kingland Copse, on rotten stump.
Landford	SU2321	1984	FRo & RHo	Langley Wood. Stream valley.

#### Eleocharis acicularis Needle Spike-rush

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

This perennial species occurs in a number of sites in the Cotswold Water Park, sometimes forming lawns in very shallow water and on mud. In VC8 it has been recorded at Furzeley Common in the New Forest around a spring.

VC8 Furzley Common	SU285167	1991	MFI	Valley mire.	
Eleocharis quinqueflora Few-flowered Spike-rush N VC7 Rare; VC8					
E. quinqueflora has only requirements, grazing is				ough it is relatively catholic in its habitat of its wet habitats.	
VC7 Ashton Keynes	SU036935	1986	DH	Pike Corner, in damp ditch.	
<b>VC8</b> Canada Common	SU285167	1998	RV	Furzley Bog.	
Eleocharis uniglumis Slender Spike-rush Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare					
A cluster of locations for <i>E. uniglumis</i> were recorded in the eighties in the CWP area. Most of the sites were close to flooded gravel pits and ponds and very large populations were recorded in some instances. Although it is more typically a coastal species in the British Isles, <i>E. uniglumis</i> prefers base-rich wet marshes and grassland inland.					
<b>VC7</b> Oaksey CWP Pike Corner North Meadow	ST996929 SU011944 SU036934 SU094946	1987 1987 1986 1986	CKi & MKi DG DG Unknown	Oaksey Ford Bridge, by pond. Beside gravel pit. Scraped ground near Pit 40.	
<b>VC8</b> Semington Brook Plaitford	ST927597 SU278202	990  99	BHa PBu	Southern edge of marshy meadow.	

## Eleogiton fluitans Floating Club-rush

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

In the New Forest part of VC8, *E. fluitans* is a frequent species of peaty, acidic pools, ditches, streams and seasonally wet poached ground on commons in the New Forest. It has not been recorded anywhere else in VC7 or 8.

VC8				
Redlynch	SU238175	1991	DJW	Tinney's Plantation, in duckpond.
West Wellow Common	SU2816	1991	RV	
West Wellow Common	SU283187	1988	RV	
Cadnam Common	SU286157	1991	RV	
Canada Common	SU287176	1991	RV	

# Epilobium lanceolatum Spear-leaved Willowherb

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

*E. lanceolatum* has been recorded in a range of dry, open habitats, although it does not appear to have been widespread in either VC at any time. It is a perennial species that can occur as a garden weed, but it is likely to be under-recorded due to its similarity to others in the *Epilobium* genus.

<b>VC7</b> Old Totter Down Littlecote	SUI 38718 SU298689	1986 1991	KPa BL	Clearing in wood.
<b>VC8</b> Bonham Sutton Mandeville West Grimstead	ST772332 ST984287 SU211266	99   990  987	AHu MMo IAd	Waste ground near Bonham Farm. Harris Hill. In a garden.

## Epilobium palustre Marsh Willowherb

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

Although this is a relatively common British species, it is mostly restricted to wet acidic sites, and is thus scarce in Wiltshire. It prefers wet woodland edges, the margins of ponds and lakes, bogs, marshes and ditches. It is a perennial, and relatively easy to distinguish from other *Epilobium* species.

VC7				
Sutton Benger	ST936793	1986	DG	Pond at top of hill near wood.
Spye Park	ST949680	1990	DG	
Spye Park	ST9667	1985	DG	Alder Wood. In good quantity.
Savernake Forest	SU243674	1990	ASu	Little Frith, at woodland edge.
Savernake Forest	SU265640	1988	DG	Near Stock Common.
Froxfield	SU301680	1989	Unknown	One clump, in meadow.

## Epipactis leptochila Narrow-lipped Helleborine

Nationally Scarce

VCO

Hound Wood is the best known location for *E. leptochila* in VC8. However, it has not been recorded there in recent years, and may have disappeared from the site, which is in a heavily shaded woodland.

V CO				
Sixpenny Handley	SU003195	1993	BL	Garston Wood.
Pitton	SU227308	1984	PBo	Hound Wood.
Pitton	SU227310	1984	FJe	Hound Wood.

#### Epipactis palustris Marsh Helleborine

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent

Two populations of *E. palustris* have been known from a disused chalk pit on Morgan's Hill near Devizes for some years. Although this is a very orchid-rich site, it is an unusual location for this species which seems to be flourishing nonetheless. The other sites, in silty carr in the CWP, is more typical of a species that likes to have its feet in the water for at least some of the year. Full grid references have been withheld to protect the populations.

VC7				
Morgan's Hill	SU0267	2005	JFo	In disused chalk quarry.
CWP	SU0496	1995	DG & SWh	At shallow gravel pit edge.
CWP	SU0693	2006	SPi & JN	Near Lake 68c.

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

#### **Epipactis phyllanthes Green-flowered Helleborine** Nationally Scarce

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A scattering of sites have been recorded across Wiltshire, though *E. phyllanthes* is marginally more widespread in VC8. It favours acidic, mineral soils, in shaded woodlands or scrub, and has also been found beside streams and flooded gravel pits. Most recent records have been made in the Marlborough and Salisbury areas.

VC7				
Savernake Forest	SU228666	1985	DG	Both sides of Grand Avenue.
Savernake Forest	SU235654	2006	JN	By edge of Three Oak Hill Drive.
Marridge Hill	SU288758	1984	SCh	Baydon Track, edge of beechwood.
Chilton Foliat	SU300706	1986	BPh	West of Littlecote House.
VC8				
Hindon	ST917323	1986	VHo	Near tunnel.
South Coulston	ST95453 I	1986	BHa	South side of road.
Langford Lakes	SU0336	2004	BL	Long-known colony.
Hanging Langford	SU0337	1998	BL	Gravel pits.
Langford Lakes	SU0437	2002	BL	Seems to be increasing.
Steeple Langford	SU0439	1997	BL	Gravel pits.
Berwick St James	SU0739	2003	BL	In garden by River Till, increasing.
Netherhampton	SU1229	2002	JHo & AMc	Old site.
Little Durnford Down	SUI 2935 I	1988	Unknown	Small colony under beech.
Harnham	SU1329	1995	JHo	
Salisbury	SU143291	1997	JHo	
Pewsey	SU168613	1995	BL	Jones's Mill.

## Epipactis purpurata Violet Helleborine

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

*E. purpurata* particularly likes old decidous woodlands on clay-with-flints soil, and VC7 has a number of sites, especially in the Braydon Forest and Savernake Forest areas. It is always found in shady situations.

VC8				
Trowbridge	ST8756	1992	GGr	Biss Wood, in newly felled area.
Great Bedwyn	SU293643	2006	GBa	Foxbury Wood

Equisetum sylvaticum	Wood Horsetail
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Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

Suitable habitat for *E. sylvaticum* is scarce in Wiltshire. It prefers deep, permanently damp humic soils, and is most common in northern and western parts of the British Isles. In VC8 it is mainly found near streams in damp woodlands.

VC8				
Gasper	ST752337	2006	SPi & PMW	A few patches in Castle Wood.
Tucking Mill	ST763343	1991	PMW	One plant amongst E. arvense
Urchfont	SU037585	1990	JPa	By overgrown footpath.

# Eriophorum angustifolium Common Cottongrass

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

The only *Eriophorum* species to be found in Wiltshire, *E. angustifolium* has been recorded most commonly in the peaty mires of the New Forest corner of VC8. The continued survival of its only known site in VC7 is doubtful.

<b>VC7</b> Chilton Foliat	SU326700	1982	DG	Water-meadow.
Erophila glabrescens	Glabrous Wł	nitlowgrass		Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare
This is likely to be an u a vernal annual of nearl		•	,	separate from the <i>E. verna</i> aggregate. It is
<b>VC8</b> Bramshaw	SU269162	2000	RV	Sandy verge by car showrooms.
Erysimum cheiranthoi	ides Treacle-	mustard		Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce
				distribution across the county is very b been recorded on waste ground and
VC7 Allington Malmesbury Oaksey CWP CWP CWP Swindon	ST890757 ST921879 SU013949 SU028941 SU039942 SU064945 SU112842	989   989   985   984   984   984   991	JHa JWa JSa DG SWh SWh PAn	Growing at edge of field of barley. Kemble Hill, along bank of ditch. Somerford Keynes. Manor House Farm, waste ground. Near Cleveland Farm House.
VC8 Zeals Berwick St. James Winterbourne Stoke	ST785335 SU053398 SU073404	1991 2003 1986	AHu BL BG	Roadside of B3092, near Crab Lane. Headlands left in stewardship. Single plant, at chicken farm.

## Euphorbia exigua Dwarf Spurge

Archaeophyte VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

Broom Park, in tree nursery.

## IUCN Near Threatened

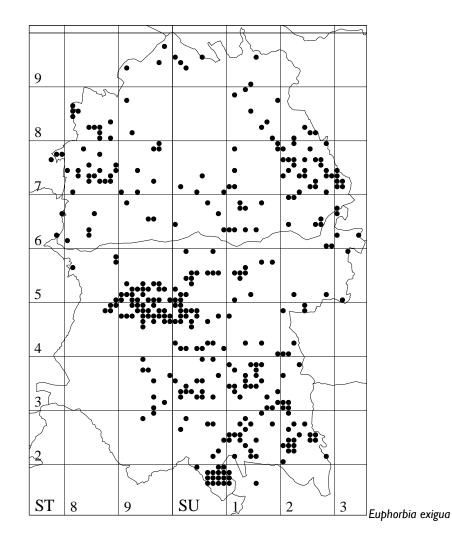
Landford

*E. exigua* is a characteristic member of Wiltshire's arable plant flora, often being found alongside other notable species. It prefers dry, sunny, calcareous soils and can tolerate some level of intensive agricultural practice. Notwithstanding this, it has been listed by the IUCN as it has retreated from much of its former range in the British Isles. Wiltshire remains one of its strongholds.

PMW

1987

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## Euphorbia platyphyllos Broad-leaved Spurge

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*E. platyphyllos* is predominantly a species of calcareous clays, usually occurring in arable field margins. It is frequent in the Salisbury area (VC8) where it can sometimes be found alongside *Fumaria densiflora* and other uncommon arable plants. It is very rare in VC7.

<b>VC7</b> Winsley	ST807617	2000	JP	Small population, edge of flax field.		
Euphrasia angli	ca Eyebright			Native VC7 absent: VC8 Rare		
IUCN Endangere Near Endemic	d			VCT ubsent, VCO Nare		
This species has only been recorded at one site in VC8. It is an annual of heavily grazed damp acidic substrates,						

This species has only been recorded at one site in VC8. It is an annual of heavily grazed damp acidic substrates, so much of Wiltshire lacks suitable habitat. However, it is also possibly under-recorded, due to difficulties with identification.

VC8
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Martin	SU0819	1996 RV	Toyd Down.
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# PLATE 2. PLANTS OF NEUTRAL GRASSLAND













# PLATE 3. PLANTS OF HEATH AND MIRE













Euphrasia pseudokerneri Eyebright Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered Near Endemic

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*E. pseudokerneri* is a rare annual of short, species-rich chalk and limestone grassland. In VC7, the species has only been found at one location on the Pewsey Downs near Devizes. It has not been recorded there recently. It may be under-recorded, as there is much suitable unimproved downland grassland in both VC7 and VC8.

Knap Hill	SU1263	1986	KPa	
VC8				
Martin Down	SU053183	1978	FRo	Bokerley Ditch.
Martin	SU059181	1978	FRo	Short turf on Grims Ditch.
Martin	SU060181	1978	FRo	Short turf on Grims Ditch.
Martin	SU063183	1978	FRo	Tidpit Common Down.

#### Festuca filiformis Fine-leaved Sheep's-fescue

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

Native

VC7 Rare: VC8 Rare

*F. filiformis* is a densely tufted perennial of well-drained acidic soils in heaths, acid grassland and grassy woodland clearings. Its only known stations in VC8 are in the New Forest area.

VC8				
Hamptworth	SU233184	1990	DJW	Edge of woodland ride.
Plaitford Common	SU2616	1991	RV	Southern side.
Penn Common	SU277170	1991	RV	North-east side.
West Wellow Common	SU283185	1988	RV	
Furzley Common	SU284161	1991	RV	South-west side.

# Filago vulgaris Common Cudweed

**IUCN Near Threatened** 

*F. vulgaris* is rare in both VC7 and VC8, with only five sites recorded in recent times. It is an annual of welldrained, sandy ground. In Wiltshire it has been recorded mainly in disturbed habitats, including waysides, driveways and arable fields.

<b>VC7</b> Nuthills Great Bedwyn	ST966683 SU250635	l 988 l 986	ASa ASa	Sandy Lane. Tottenham House Park, cornfield.
<b>VC8</b> Poulshot Whiteparish Landford	ST967607 SU241238 SU2618	1987 2005 1999	BG DJW RV	On bare mud along green lane. Driveway of house.

#### Foeniculum vulgare Fennel

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

At face value, F. vulgare is an unlikely candidate for inclusion in a rare plant register given its apparent widespread distribution and its ability to reach weed status very quickly in gardens. However, it has rarely been

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce recorded in the county. This biennial herb has been recorded in a wide range of habitats, preferring those with some disturbance.

VC7				
Winsley	ST797608	2002	JP	Field edge.
Malmesbury	ST936871	2004	JEO & JWa	Walls or pavement angles.
Cherhill	SU028699	2004	JEO	North fringe of A4.
Winterbourne Monkton	SU103724	1990	JOu	Mill Lane. Dry walls and waste areas.
Wroughton	SU165805	1985	ĴOu	Burderop Hospital.
VC8				
Mere	ST812303	1989	JHa	Near Hinks Mill.
South Newton	SU085348	1989	BL	Possible garden escape.
Salisbury	SUI 373 I 3	1984	PMo	The Butts, on grassy waste ground.
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# Fritillaria meleagris Fritillary

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 absent

Nationally Scarce

*F. meleagris* is only considered to be native in the Thames valley flood meadows in VC7, where it can form very large populations nearly all of which are now within protected sites. It is found in herb-rich unimproved neutral grassland which have traditionally been managed for hay. None of the VC8 populations are considered to be native.

#### VC7

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Oaksey	ST982928	1991	DG	In field South of Flintham House.
Oaksey	ST994925	1987	CKi & MKi	Nr Oaksey Ford Bridge. Abundant.
Oaksey	ST997956	1987	DG	Nr Oaksey Ford Bridge.
Oaksey	ST999932	1984	CKi & MKi	Hay meadow north of Swill Brook.
Oaksey	SU000928	1987	DG	Numbers falling on a SSSI.
Clattinger Farm	SU007932	2006	LMa & GLe	About ten plants.
Clattinger Farm	SU010933	2006	LMa & GLe	Refind of earlier record.
Ashton Keynes	SU055932	1988	DG & DWe	Two hundred plus plants.
Waterhay	SU068936	1988	DG & DWe	Ten thousand plus plants.
North Meadow	SU094946	2006	LMa & GLe	Still present in very large numbers.
Ballickacre Farm	SU101921	1988	DG & DWe	One clump of thirty five plants.
Upper Inglesham	SU214960	1984	DG	Lynt Farm, two thousand plants.
Upper Inglesham	SU215957	1984	DG	Lynt Farm.
Coleshill	SU228937	1989	MSt & CSt	More than 300 flowers.

#### Fumaria bastardii Tall Ramping-fumitory

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

F. bastardiii is a rare plant in Wiltshire. It is a scrambling annual which prefers freely draining acidic sands and loams, occurring on farmland in the Amesbury area and nowhere else.

SU217403	1997	DGr	
SU2243	2004	ASu	On organic farm.
SU232388	1988	Unknown	Field west of New Plantation.
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#### Fumaria densiflora Dense-flowered Fumitory

*F. densiflora* is a characteristic species of chalk farmland near Salisbury, extending onto Salisbury Plain, where it is most frequently found along with other interesting and declining arable annuals in spring-sown cereals and root crops. It is rare in VC7.

## VC7

Chippenham	ST908733	1985	SBa	In a garden.
Bishops Cannings	SU042670	2006	TRe	Baltic Farm.
West Overton	SU123685	2006	SPi	Single plant, in stony field margin.

#### Fumaria muralis Common Ramping-fumitory

Native VC7 Rare: VC8 Scarce

*F. muralis* is an annual scrambler of arable and cultivated land, spoil heaps and other disturbed ground. It has mostly been recorded in widely separated locations in VC8, where it favours well-drained acidic soils. Subspecies *boraei* has also been noted in several locations, most notably in market gardens at Bromham, its sole VC7 site to date.

VC7 Bromham	ST969648	1989	DG	Market garden weed (ssp <i>boraei</i> ).
VC8				
Mere	ST813327	1990	AHu	Allotments near Wellhead.
Swallowcliffe	ST997263	1990	MMo	Among arable weeds on field edge.
Salisbury	SU140310	1988	PMo	The Butts. Spoil heaps nr entrance.
West Wellow	SU284192	1984	RV	Maury's Lane / A36 (ssp boraei).
West Wellow	SU295215	1991	RV	Sub-species boraei.
West Wellow	SU3018	1999	RV	

#### Fumaria parviflora Fine-leaved Fumitory

Nationally Scarce

Archaeophyte VC7 *absent*; VC8 Scarce

IUCN Vulnerable

F. parviflora is restricted to light, chalky farmland. It has only recently been recorded in South Wiltshire, mainly between Salisbury and Amesbury, where it seems to prefer fields of oilseed rape.

VC8				
Little Wishford	SU079364	2005	WBS	Little Wishford Farm
Wick	SU155215	1984	JOu	Wick Farm, oilseed rape field.
Porton Down	SU211356	1997	CBe	Battery Hill.
Cholderton	SU219439	1999	JN	Field border.
Cholderton	SU2242	1996	MWil	
Porton	SU2335	1995	JHo	Easton Down.

#### Gagea lutea Yellow Star-of-Bethlehem

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

There is one extant site for *G. lutea* in VC8, where it is found in ancient limestone woodland close to Limpley Stoke. Only one small colony is known here and it has not flowered since the mid-eighties. Other small colonies have been seen in the woods nearby, although these lie within VC6 (North Somerset).

VC8			
Limpley Stoke	ST778618	2005	SPi

By track in private woodland.

# Galeopsis angustifolia Red Hemp-nettle

IUCN Critically Endangered

G. angustifolia is still frequently recorded in parts of Wiltshire (especially VC8) although it has suffered an enormous decline in range all over Britain, placing it in the highest IUCN threat category. Here it is a scarce plant of arable margins and open ground, and is a particular feature of tank-disturbed former farmland on the Imber Ranges of DTE (SP).

#### VC7

Wootton Bassett	SU065836 19	87 VGI	
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#### Galeopsis bifida Bifid Hemp-nettle

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

*G. bifida* typically occurs in woodlands, arable field margins and spoil heaps or disturbed ground. It occurs quite frequently in the Marlborough area of VC7 but has only a handful of widely-separated sites in VC8. It may have been misrecorded as the very similar *G. tetrahit*.

VC8

Tollard Royal Broad Chalke Urchfont Plaitford West Wellow West Wellow	ST9518 SU026264 SU027572 SU2618 SU2818 SU3018	1997 2005 2004 1999 1999 1999	DJW SPi & JFo JEO RV RV RV	Rushmore E Gurston Far Oakfrith We
West Wellow	SU3018 SU3020	1999	RV	

Rushmore Estate. Gurston Farm, in field margin. Oakfrith Wood, fairly common.

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce UKBAP species

#### Galium constrictum Slender Marsh-bedstraw Nationally Rare

*G. constrictum* has very restricted distribution in the UK, with its main stronghold being in the seasonally flooded pond margins and pony-grazed lawns of the New Forest (VCII). In Wiltshire, it has been recorded from two sites in VC8. Continued survival of *G. constrictum* has not been confirmed at either site.

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Teffont	ST993318	1988	VHo	Introduced in pond lining substrate.
North Charlton	SU174248	1984	NCh	Water meadows - ditch margin.

## Galium pumilum Slender Bedstraw

Nationally Rare IUCN Endangered VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

Native

Native

Both VC8 sites are in old, herb-rich chalk grassland on military land with restricted access. At Slay Down on DTE (SP) it was associated with ant-hills. Neither site has been confirmed as extant recently. However, *G. pumilum* is a perennial species and given that both sites are protected and managed for their conservation interest, there is every reason to believe that they could still be there.

## VC8

VCT

VCS

DTE (SP) Centre	SU091498	1986	RPo	Slay Down. Associated with ant-hills.
Porton Down	SU2035	1989	MMo	In calcareous grassland.

# Gaudinia fragilis French Oat-grass

Nationally Scarce

A recent review of this species in Britain has indicated that within its core area it is likely to be native. This includes Wiltshire, where it has most frequently been found in meadows and along road-verges in the Melksham area. The Mere record conforms to its known preference for old hay meadows. Other finds in similar habitat may be possible where it was previously overlooked.

VC/				
Colerne Park	ST808705	1984	DG	Many plants in lower hay meadow.
Thingley	ST8870	1989	DG	
Corsham	ST890718	1989	DG	Mynte Farm . Meadow south of A4.
Easton	ST897705	1989	DG	Meadow west of Easton.
Chippenham	ST912756	1986	DG	Near Birds Marsh, edge of meadow.
Bewley Green	ST928685	1987	DG	Both sides of road.
Bowden Hill	ST930665	1987	DG	In small meadow adjacent to road.
Bowden Hill	ST938678	1989	BG	Common.
Sandridge	ST939653	1989	DG	
Sells Green	ST940627	1989	DG	
Melksham Without	ST940638	1988	DG	Meadow north of Tollerdown Farm.
VC8				
Mere	ST807313	1995	PPa	West Swainsford. Meadow.

#### Genista anglica Petty Whin

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

# IUCN Near Threatened

This is a species of wet grassy heaths and other acidic habitats and in VC8 it has been recorded exclusively in the New Forest near Landford.

SU2618	1991	RV	
SU264176	1991	VWi	Woodland boundary of meadow.
SU277192	1991	ABy	
SU280179	1991	RV	
SU281186	2005	RV	Three plants.
SU284161	1991	RV	-
	SU264176 SU277192 SU280179 SU281186	SU264176 1991 SU277192 1991 SU280179 1991 SU281186 2005	SU264176         1991         VWi           SU277192         1991         ABy           SU280179         1991         RV           SU281186         2005         RV

# Gentianella anglica Early Gentian

Nationally Scarce IUCN Waiting List Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8 EC Directive Annex IIb and IVb; Bern Convention Appendix I and Conservation Regulations Schedule 4.

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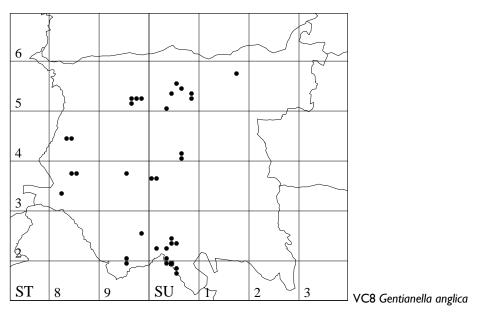
Native

UKBAP species

VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

Wiltshire lies within the national stronghold for *G. anglica*. The plant is restricted to short, dry, herb-rich chalk grassland, often preferring old archaeological remains. Its populations vary from year to year, with some sites supporting thousands of plants in a good year. There are many sites for the species in VC8, most of them protected.

VC7				
Roundway	SU006638	1999	BG	Roundway Hill Covert.
Pewsey Downs	SU0964	1997	DG	Many plants.
Walkers Hill	SU109635	2006	JN et al.	Frequent east of white horse.
Walkers Hill	SUIII629	2006	PMW & JP	Many scattered plants near track.
Walkers Hill	SUI 14633	2006	PMW & JP	On earthworks close to road.
High Clear Down	SU236763	2006	JN	More than a thousand.



# Gentianella germanica Chiltern Gentian

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Rare

Until 2001 there were no recent records of this species, but an 1891 site has been re-found at Mere, and a completely new population recorded at Martin Down. Both sites are in species-rich chalk grassland.

Mere Down Martin Down	ST826336 SU057189	2001 2006	TRi DNe & MNe	With hybrids of C. <i>amarella.</i> II plants on edge of a chalky track.		
Gnaphalium sylvaticur	n Heath Cuo	dweed		Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare		
IUCN Endangered						
on the red list. In Wilts	shire it has ne n Down site i	ever been a co	ommon plant, pref	ecades and has consequently been placed erring sites on greensand and other dry E (SP) is an exception, and may lie over		
<b>VC7</b> Cobham Frith Cobham Frith	SU255669 SU255672	2006 2005	JN JN	In grassy path. Doing well in woodland path.		
<b>VC8</b> Great Ridge Wood Chirton Down	ST9136 SU0654	1990 1993	CHo BG	Greensand. Open waterlogged site.		
Groenlandia densa Opposite-leaved Pondweed Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare						
IUCN Vulnerable						
needs to be confirmed.	G. densa is a v	ery local speci	es in the county w	but the continued survival of the colonies ith the flooded gravel pits and associated bund in ponds and canals.		
VC7						

ST8869	1984	RR	
SU019935	1984	DG	
SU027944	1984	DG	
SU042934	1984	DG	
SU264623	1984	DG	K & A Canal.
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# Helleborus foetidus Stinking Hellebore

Nationally Scarce

VC8

Native and introduced VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

This is a perennial species of shallow calcareous soils in well-lit situations, including woodland edges, road cuttings and open scrub. It is intolerant of shade, and some populations may have been lost where habitats have become overgrown. All possibly native locations have been detailed here.

VC7				
Castle Combe	ST8276	1985	WTNC	In Castle Wood.
Colerne Park	ST836734	2006	LSn	
Castle Combe	ST836778	1985	LWi	Below castle.
Ford	ST838744	1984	ASk & GGo	
Long Dean	ST839756	1983	DG	Woodland near old mill.
Slaughterford	ST843739	2006	SPi & JFo	On Protected Road Verge.
Rack Hill	ST845761	1985	DG	In beech wood plantation.
Long Dean	ST8474	1989	EOv	·
Rack Hill	ST847757	1986	DG	By stream, below steep woodland.
Quidhampton Wood	SUI 1795	2006	RAi	Among carpet of Petasites fragrans.
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VC8				
Arn Hill Woods	ST873462	1991	VHo	On slope above public footpath.
Heytesbury	ST935425	2005	SPi	At woodland edge, on A36 cutting.
Tollard Royal	ST947170	1991	JOu	North of Park View Point.
Tollard Royal	ST957195	1998	PMW	Rotherley Bottom.
Wylye	SU003377	1988	BL	
Boscombe	SU165390	1994	GNi	
Clarendon	SU184302	2003	JNo	A few.
Idmiston	SU203374	1988	OSi	Top of railway embankment.
Lower Everleigh	SU205558	2006	JAm	
Lower Everleigh	SU205560	2006	RLa & HPr	Hog Down woodland.
Porton	SU237364	1994	PWi & MRe	In young scrubby woodland.
Bentley Wood	SU239287	1996	JNo	Cpt.21d: Buddleja Track.
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Herminium monorchis Musk Orchid	Native
Nationally Scarce	VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare
IUCN Vulnerable	

*H. monorchis* is a rare orchid of short, herb-rich downland turf on steep slopes and banks. It flowers irregularly and may not be seen every year. The site at Morgan's Hill is the only known population in VC7. The population at Ham Hill, near Hungerford, is regularly monitored, and numbers of flowering spikes vary greatly. In VC8, several colonies have also been reported close to the Dorset border, although these have not been confirmed.

<b>VC7</b> Morgans Hill	SU029673	1988	BG	Old chalk quarry.
<b>VC8</b> Ham	SU323618	1988	BHa	Ham Hill SSSI
Ham	SU332616	2006	SPri	Ham Hill SSSI.

## Hydrocotyle vulgaris Marsh Pennywort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

In VC8, *H. vulgaris* is typically a species of wet New Forest habitats. It is, however, a scarce and thinly distributed species in VC7 having been recorded in flood meadows, pond margins and marshy ground.

VC7				
Chippenham	ST948766	1984	DG & RR	Edge of muddy pond nr R. Avon.
Braydon Wood	ST998877	1986	JWa	In boggy ground beside pond.
Braydon Pond	SU001881	1986	JFr	Frequent around east side of pond.
CWP	SU038935	1986	DG	Field adjacent to Pike Corner SSSI.
Chilton Foliat	SU338698	1985	DG	One small colony in water meadow.

## Hyoscyamus niger Henbane

## IUCN Vulnerable

*H. niger* has been recorded at a handful of sites across both vice-counties, mostly occurring in disturbed or cultivated ground and on building sites. It has never been common in Wiltshire, and many populations are likely to be short-lived.

VC7				
Winsley	ST812608	1996	JP	In a barnyard.
Dauntsey	ST975820	2004	PDa	In a field on Glebe Farm.
Latton	SU095959	1989	KGi	Plenty in field and by footpath.
Marlborough	SU189690	2001	JN	In waste ground nr river/car park.
VC8				
Trowbridge	ST862594	1985	ECu	In garden, Wyke Road.
Ansty	ST9524	1997	DJW	Gallows Hill.
Shrewton	SU049442	1993	ADa	Many in a set-aside field.
Bishopstone	SU065257	1998	BL	
Coombe Bissett	SU101247	1989	JAc	At edge of barley field.
Porton	SU213372	1997	PWi	Near a redevelopment area.
DTE (SP) East	SU257475	2001	JMo	Perham Ranges, in game strip.

## Hypericum androsaemum Tutsan

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*H. androsaemum* requires damp and often shaded habitats including ditchsides, woods and hedgerows. Often introduced elsewhere in the British Isles, it is well within its native range in Wiltshire. It is most abundant in the New Forest corner of VC8, but is widely scattered across the county. Most of the VC7 populations consist of only a few plants.

VC7

Grittenham	SU026822	1991	DG	In Great Wood.
Minety	SU023883	1992	Unknown	Ravensroost Wood.
Savernake Forest	SU204675	1999	JEO	South of White Road.
Savernake Forest	SU234655	2006	ĴN	Drury Lane.
Marlborough	SU151665	2005	JEO	West Woods, near Forest Lodge.

#### Hypericum elodes Marsh St. John's-wort

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

In VC7, *H. elodes* is very rare, with one site just inside the VC boundary at Froxfield. In VC8, all populations are found in the New Forest corner where it is characteristically a species of oligotrophic pools and streams.

<b>VC7</b> Froxfield	SU303678	2005	RLa	Marshy grassland.
<i>Iberis amara</i> Wild Nationally Scarce IUCN Vulnerable	Candytuft			Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

*I. amara* is thriving at its sole native Wiltshire site, at Porton Down. More than a thousand plants were estimated to be within a dry chalk ditch alongside a road there, so the population is in good condition. This site represents the westernmost outlier of the British range of the species, which is centred on the Chiltern Hills.

<b>VC8</b> Porton Down	SU227363	2005	SPi	On near-bare skeletal chalk soil.
Inula helenium Eleca	umpane			Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 absent
	n Wiltshire it	has only beer	n recorded in VC7	sistent, often spreading away from gardens 7, with both sites on roadsides and verges.
<b>VC7</b> Upper Woodshaw Shaw	SU080826 SU107857	1986 1990	VGI PDa	At roadside.
<b>Isatis tinctoria Woad</b> Nationally Scarce	ł			Archaeophyte VC7 absent; VC8 Rare
	sturbed ground	l, on spoil-he		second site found in 2006. It is a biennial or arries and arable fields so has the potential
<b>VC8</b> Urchfont Pewsey	SU035570 SU166579	1996 2006	JEO RLa & HPr	Urchfont Manor. Pewsey Hill Farm, on spoil.
Jasione montana She	eep's-bit			Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare
J. montana requires sha	llow, well-drai	ned sandy or	stony acidic soils.	Its sole location is on dry heathland.
<b>VC8</b> Cadnam Common	SU283153	1990	DJW	Near Blenman's Farm.
Juncus bulbosus Bulb	oous Rush			Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce
•	d rides where	the soil is rel	atively acidic. In V	re <i>J. bulbosus</i> is uncommon. It is found here C8 it is not uncommon in the New Forest cks, and marshes.
<b>VC7</b> Draycot Park Seagry Spye Park Spye Park	ST936793 ST943817 ST948680 ST951678	1986 1995 1985 1985	DG PDa DG DG	Pond at top of hill near wood. Seagry Wood, recently cleared area.
Brinkworth Savernake Forest	SU048858 SU269639	1984 1983	MSt DG & MPo	Webb's Wood. Near Stock Common.

#### Juncus compressus Round-fruited Rush

## IUCN Near Threatened

There are just two known localities, both in VC7. Near Ramsbury in the east, it is well-known from watermeadows beside the River Kennet, whilst it has been recorded in the By Brook valley in the west. It is not known if the latter population is still extant. J. compressus can be an opportunistic coloniser of bare ground, for example the draw-down zone of flooded pits and lakes, so its absence from suitable habitat, especially in the CWP area, is surprising.

## VC7

VC8

Nettleton Green	ST8278	1989	PBu	Goulters Mill.
Ramsbury	SU289713	2006	JN	Numbers decrease every year.

## Juncus foliosus Leafy Rush

Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Scarce

J. foliosus is confined to the New Forest corner of VC8, where it may be under-recorded, having been considered to be a subspecies of J. bufonius until 1978. It is an annual rush, being found around the muddy edges of ponds and lakes, in wet grassland, ditches and other wet habitats.

SU274168	1990	DJW	Near Penn Farm.
SU2816	1999	RV	
SU287179	1999	RV	Eastern edge with Gunnera tinctoria.
SU287180	1999	RV	Bank of small stream.
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## Juncus subnodulosus Blunt-flowered Rush

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 absent

J. subnodulosus is of very local distribution in VC7, being restricted to permanently wet places with a supply of lime-rich water. North of Swindon and in the vicinity of the CWP it has been found in base-rich flushes, fen, floodplain grassland and on the edge of lakes. A small population has also been recorded in the water-meadows at Jones' Mill in Pewsey.

VC7				
Ashton Keynes	SU039935	1985	DG & RR	Abundant below Pit 40.
Wootton Bassett	SU066846	1984	DG	Floodlands.
Wootton Bassett	SU068839	1994	PDa	Wet flush.
Coate Water	SUI32816	1995	DG	New lake.
Wroughton	SUI 35795	2006	RAi	Wet flush below springs from chalk.
Blunsdon St. Andrew	SU148889	1990	PDa	Marsh near Groundwell Farm.
Pewsey	SU170614	1995	DG	Jones' Mill reserve.
South Marston	SU176888	1990	PDa	In sedge bed east side of old railway.

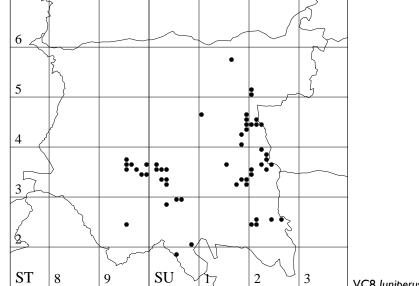
## Juniperus communis ssp. communis Common Juniper

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce UKBAP species

Wiltshire forms part of the southern national stronghold for *J. communis* ssp. *communis*. Here it is most commonly associated with chalk downland, forming dense stands in areas such as Beacon Hill near Bulford. Other parts of DTE (SP) support important populations. There is concern about the future of *Juniperus* in Wiltshire as most existing populations are mature, reflecting the lapse of rabbit grazing in the mid-twentieth

century. There is little recruitment of young plants to the population at present, because of currently high numbers of rabbits.

VC7				
Heddington	ST996655	1987	BG	Beacon Hill.
Heddington	SU006656	1984	PMo	Several healthy stands on the slopes.
Heddington	SU013663	1984	MTy	Wood north-east of Kings Play Hill.
Blackland	SU0169	1986	MTy	
Morgan's Hill	SU0267	2002	CBG	On downland.
Calstone Wellington	SU044687	1989	BG	Ranscombe Bottom, many bushes.
Compton Bassett	SU0472	1984	Unknown	Bassett Down.
Avebury Trusloe	SU067696	1985	BG	Knoll Down, two bushes.
Oare	SU161640	1983	DG & RR	Huish Hill.
Oare	SU165631	1996	DG	Oare Hill.



VC8 Juniperus communis ssp. communis

## Lactuca virosa Great Lettuce

Native VC7 Rare: VC8 Rare

*L. virosa* is an annual or biennial herb that has never been common in Wiltshire. Only one Wiltshire location is regarded as likely to be native, on the Porton Ranges. In VC7, it has been recorded as a possible introduction occurring on dumped soil. It is known to spread through road development, and casual populations are likely to be under-recorded. All records are detailed here.

<b>VC7</b> Clattinger Farm CWP	SU018938 SU023937	1987 1986	DG DG	On waste heap. Probably casual. Pit dumped soil near Howells Barn.
VC8 Idmiston Down	SU2236	2000	DGr	Central range, plants 2m high.

#### Lamium hybridum Cut-leaved Dead-nettle

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

L. hybridum is characteristic of arable field margins and other cultivated land, including gardens. In Wiltshire it has been found in cereal crops, but it tends to prefer broad-leaved crops like oilseed rape, growing on dry, very fertile soils. It is relatively widespread in VC8.

VC7			
Rowde	ST986629	1987	DG
Highworth	SU2091	1987	DG & MSt

# Lathyrus aphaca Yellow Vetchling

Nationally Scarce

Although this species is considered to be native in Wiltshire, it is difficult to separate introductions from native populations. Records listed here exclude any obvious non-natives. Native populations of *L. aphaca* are always found in rank, calcareous grassland and it is more characteristically a coastal plant. Plants found in arable fields or on disturbed ground are likely to be casual.

<b>VC7</b> Minety Chiseldon Wanborough Plain	SU022884 SU193789 SU217820	1987 1990 1986	JFr JOu Unknown	Ravensroost Wood, in rides. South of dismantled railway. Protected road-verge.
VC8				
Mere Down	ST826343	1991	AHu	Trackside, near Mere Down Farm.
Chilmark	ST969328	1987	DFo	Churchyard.
Martin Down	SU041197	1984	CMa	Chalk grassland.
Marden	SU084557	1987	JPa	On east edge of track in grass.
Alton Barnes	SU117618	2005	Unknown	Manor Farm.
Littlecote	SU146518	1987	Gr	Suspect GR. At roadside?.
Wick	SUI532II	1991	ĴOu	Botley's Farm.

## Lathyrus sylvestris Narrow-leaved Everlasting-pea

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*L. sylvestris* is a perennial scrambler of calcareous soils, usually in hedgerows, woodland edges, scrub and grassy banks. It also occurs quite widely as a casual or garden escape on railway embankments and waste ground. It is much more frequent in VC8 than VC7.

Silkwood	ST839897	1988	Unknown	
Morgans Hill	SU016677	1987	BG	Roadside verge and nearby.
Quidhampton Wood	SU108795	2006	RAi	Glade. Possible introduction.
Swindon	SU143853	1989	JN	On waste ground near station.

# Lemna gibba Fat Duckweed

VC7

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*L. gibba* has a very restricted distribution in Wiltshire, with the majority of the records made on the K & A Canal between Devizes and Pewsey where it has been recorded with other *Lemna* species. It varies in abundance year to year. Away from the canal, two small populations have been recorded in ponds in VC7.

VC7				
Redstock	ST927621	1988	DG	
Dauntsey	ST970808	1989	JWa	Dodford Farm.
Devizes	SU0262	1987	JLo	K & A Canal.
Leigh	SU065922	1989	DG	Stokes Farm, small pond.
Allington	SU0662	1987	JLo	K & A Canal.
Stanton St. Bernard	SU0862	1987	JLo	K & A Canal.

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

VCð				
K & A Canal	SU0462	1987	JLo	Common. GR uncertain.
Honeystreet	SU097615	1987	VSc	K & A Canal.
Honeystreet	SU100617	1990	JOu	K & A Canal.

#### Lepidium heterophyllum Smith's Pepperwort

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

A scattering of records for *L* heterophyllum in S. Wiltshire shows a preference for disturbed habitats, including railways, roadsides and, on Salisbury Plain, in the vicinity of tank tracks on the Imber Ranges. However, a search in the Imber area in 2006 only found *L* campestre. A perennial or biennial species, *L* heterophyllum prefers well-drained gravelly or sandy acidic soils.

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Westbury	ST864527	1990	PSn	Wasteland near railway.
DTE (SP) West	ST942453	1986	BG	Single plant in fruit at roadside.
DTE (SP)	ST963467	1989	JLo	Tinkers Firs.
Imber	ST964477	1989	JLo	Roadside south of village.
DTE (SP) West	ST971479	1986	JLo	Both sides of main track.
Salisbury	SUI39317	1996	JHo	
Boscombe	SU182409	1996	BL	Near railway.

#### Lepidium ruderale Narrow-leaved Pepperwort

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

L. ruderale is a very rare plant in the county, occurring as a short-lived casual of man-made habitats, such as pavement cracks and car parks. It is halophytic, and may be under-recorded on the verges of winter-salted roads.

<b>VC7</b> Ramsbury Nettleton	SU275716 ST8078	1991 1988	JN JHa	High Street, disturbed ground. First VC record since 1919.
VC8 Devizes	SU005616	1991	PMo	Snuff Street, pavement-wall angles.

#### Leucojum aestivum Summer Snowflake

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

Nationally Scarce

Most of the colonies of *L. aestivum* in Wiltshire have been either deliberately planted, or persist as gardenthrow-outs or escapes. This perennial species was first recorded in VC7 in 1887 in the River Kennet valley and is generally considered to be native at this location. It typically occurs in winter-flooded streamside locations with other riparian species including *Phragmites*, *Urtica dioica*, *Carex riparia* and *Oenanthe crocata*. In VC8 there is a large population beside the River Avon at North Woodford; again this is considered to be native. Records of known or suspected introduced populations have not been included here.

VC7				
Ramsbury	SU278716	2006	JN	River Kennet tributary, Howe Mill.
Ramsbury	SU280715	1984	JN	Known here at least 60 years.
Chilton Foliat	SU325701	1984	DG	Beside river in small depression.

VC8				
Urchfont	SU038575	1991	BG	Peppercombe Wood.
Middle Woodford	SUI22357	1990	PMo	60+ plants.
Upper Woodford	SUI 27373	2006	JP	Many plants in alder carr.
Salisbury	SUI34315	1990	KMa	The Butts.

#### Linaria repens Pale Toadflax

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

L. repens has a county distribution that is centred on the Braydon Forest and Swindon area in VC7. Here it is most characteristically found on free-draining dry railway ballast. It has been found in similar habitats in Melksham, and on a wall in the Kennet valley where it may have been introduced. Only one site has been recorded in VC8, on a rocky bank.

VC7				
Melksham	ST897640	2005	JP	Locally abundant nr. Railway line.
Braydon	SU070896	1984	MSt	Coxhill Farm. On railway bridge.
Purton	SU098883	1990	JWa	On south side of railway track.
Cricklade	SU103919	1987	DG	
Cricklade	SU103921	1990	DG	Large number in railway ballast.
East Kennet	SUI 19675	1989	Unknown	At base of wall.
Swindon	SU135840	1986	DG	Railway embankment.
Swindon	SUI 52854	1990	PDa	Railway sidings.
South Marston	SU197871	1990	PDa	South side of railway bank.
VC8				
Duck Street	ST9428	1986	MMo	Rocky bank at side of lane.

## Linum bienne Pale Flax

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

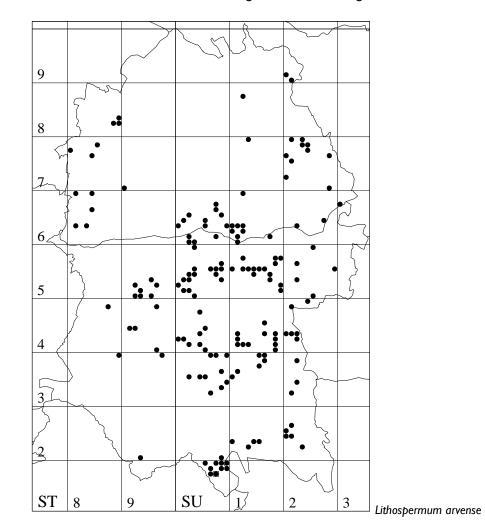
*L. bienne* is a species of sheltered, grassy places where the soils are relatively impoverished and free-draining. It has most frequently been recorded on DTE (SP) where it is locally widespread, but likely to be under-recorded or mistaken for *L. usitatissimum*, from which it is difficult to separate.

<b>VC7</b> Long Dean	ST8474	1989	JHa	
VC8				
DTE (SP) West	ST921476	2006	SPi	Frequent.
Great Ridge Wood	ST9337	1991	DH	Beside track.
DTE (SP) West	ST939469	2006	SPi	A few plants near Bowls Barrow.
Imber Ranges	ST986475	2006	SPi & RDu	Berril Valley in disturbed ground.
DTE (SP) Tilshead	SU019473	2001	KWa	Non-tac second order track.
DTE (SP) Tilshead	SU031463	2001	KWa	Copehill Plantation, track edge.
West Dean	SU035575	1989	NCC	
DTE (SP) Milston	SU188461	2001	KWa	Down Barn Plantation, track edge.

#### Lithospermum arvense Field Gromwell

#### IUCN Endangered

Many records of *L. arvense* were made in the mid-1980s in the course of the WFMP, but relatively few have been made more recently and it is unclear how many of the populations are extant. This is a species of dry, well-drained calcareous soils, occurring in arable field margins. Suitable soils are more widespread in VC8.



## Lotus glaber Narrow-leaved Bird's-foot-trefoil

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

In VC8 *L. glaber* has been recorded mostly from the military estate on Salisbury Plain, where it can form extensive colonies beside tank tracks and in rough grassland. Many new sites were recorded in surveys on the western and central ranges in 2006, and it is definitely under-recorded there. Only two recent sites have been noted in VC7, near Swindon and Malmesbury respectively.

VC7				
Rodbourne	ST926827	1985	DG & RR	On railway bank.
Swindon	SU178893	1990	JN	In hedge, Kingston Lane.

#### Luzula sylvatica Great Wood-rush

L. sylvatica is a species of humid shady habitats on acid soils and is relatively widespread in VC8. In N. Wiltshire it is more rare and is restricted to the Savernake Forest area close to Marlborough.

VC/				
Savenake Forest	SU199676	1989	VSc	Good sized patch.
Chisbury Wood	SU269657	2004	JEO	Abundant in this area.
Chisbury Wood	SU274653	2006	ĴN	Large population; to SU276654
Chisbury Hill	SU27866 I	1991	BG	Dominant on SE bank of hill fort.

## Lycopodiella inundata Marsh Club-moss

Nationally Scarce

VCO

VCT

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce UKBAP species

A creeping perennial, *L. inundata* is restricted to wet heath in the New Forest corner of VC8, where it has been recorded from pony-grazed commons. Populations tend to be small, and are often found associated with light tracks and other semi-open peaty ground.

V Co				
Plaitford Common	SU273189	1994	RV	
Plaitford Common	SU273190	2005	RV	Wet heath.
Plaitford Common	SU277176	1983	Fro	Good population.
Plaitford Common	SU277189	1994	RV	Wet heathland.
West Wellow Common	SU282189	1988	PBo	Wet peat bordering mire.
West Wellow Common	SU283190	2005	RV	One small patch.

#### Medicago arabica Spotted Medick

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*M. arabica* is a very widespread species in southern England, so it is perhaps strange that it is uncommon in VC7. This may be a consequence of its preference for light, sandy and gravelly soils. It is typically found on grassy banks but has also been recorded on imported soils on waste ground.

VC/				
Bromham	ST961642	2005	JN	
Bromham	ST965651	2006	ĴN	In market gardens at edge of path.
Rowde	ST992624	1987	DG	By lake.
Calne	SU016714	1987	BG	One clump at sandpits.
CWP	SU017937	1987	SWh	Waste ground.
Burderop	SU164805	1990	JOu	Grassy verges beside old roads.

#### Melampyrum arvense Field Cow-wheat

Nationally Rare IUCN Waiting List Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8

This species has been lost from all but one of its county sites; a good-sized but vulnerable population persists in a private garden on the site of a former arable field, where it has been known for many years. Efforts are currently underway to safeguard this site by relevant conservation agencies. There is disagreement as to how long *M. arvense* has been in the British flora, since it was first recorded in 1724.

Uncertain VC7 Rare; VC8 Extinct

VC7				
Wootton Bassett	SU0682	1995	DG	In a private garden. Confidential GR.
Melampyrum pratens	e Common (	Cow-wheat		Native
Melanipyruni pratens		Cow-wileat		VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce
particularly in woodland	ds associated v	with the New		habitats. It is relatively common in VC8, greensands. In VC7, it is much more rare,
and widely scattered in	woodland hab	oitats.		
VC7				
Ford	ST848748	1983	DG	Between Mencombe Wood & A420.
Charlton	ST975898	1984	GRy	Andover Gorse.
Grittenham	SU0281	1997	PDa	Great Wood.
Savernake Forest	SU236683	1994	ASu	Puthall Copse.
Melittis melissophyllu	m Bastard-b	alm		Native
Nationally Scarce				VC7 absent; VC8 Rare
IUCN Vulnerable				
M. melissophyllum has o	nly been recor	ded from wo	odland in a verv sn	nall area near Whiteparish. Fencing works
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clearings, hedgebanks a				,, ,
VC8	CU 1207227	2005		
Standlynch	SU207236	2005	PMW & DJW	Cheyney's Wood.
Mentha pulegium Pei	nnyroyal			Native
Nationally Rare	nnyroyal			VC7 Extinct; VC8 Rare
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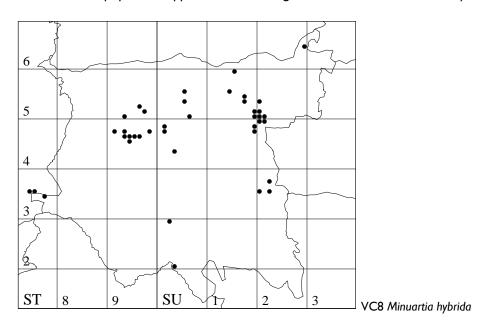
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JN

Abundant in water meadow.

## *Minuartia hybrida* Fine-leaved Sandwort Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered

*M. hybrida* has most frequently been recorded on the Salisbury Plain military ranges, where it is typically found in regularly disturbed ground associated with tank tracks. It flowers relatively early, is easily overlooked, and is certainly under-recorded. Fieldwork in 2006 recorded the species in several new hectads on the military estate, and the population appears to be thriving. There are no records of *M. hybrida* in VC7.



## Misopates orontium Weasel's-snout

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

**IUCN** Vulnerable

*M.orontium* is an annual species of light, usually sandy soils. Here it has been most frequently recorded on the greensand, particularly in market gardens and allotments.

VC7				
Bromham	ST966650	1989	DG	In market garden patch.
Bromham	ST968648	2005	WBS	Market gardens. Robust plants.
Swindon	SUI 58839	1992	PAn	Old Town, sandy wasteland.
VC8				
Quidhampton	SUI 15309	1985	PMo	On recently dug allotments.
Salisbury	SUI5I309	1990	NLa	Disturbed ground near allotments.
Salisbury	SUI52310	1984	PMo	Recently dug allotments.
Alderbury	SU192273	1998	PWi	Junction Road.
Redlynch	SU207208	1990	DJW	Milkhills Farm, field of fodder maize.
Whiteparish	SU239241	1989	DJW	Tower Farm, set-aside fields.
Whiteparish	SU242236	1988	DJW	Lower House, in garden.
Collingbourne Ducis	SU2453	1986	AHu	In garden.
Bentley Wood	SU255300	1997	PMW	On disturbed ground.
West Wellow	SU295215	1991	RV	-

#### Moenchia erecta Upright Chickweed

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

*M. erecta* has always been a very rare plant in the county. Its main station is in the New Forest (VC8) where it has been recorded in four sites close to Landford and Bramshaw. It is an annual species of open, sandy ground where there is little competition from other species.

VC8				
Bramshaw	SU269173	1991	VWi	Near Barford Farm.
Plaitford Common	SU278168	1991	RV	Penn Common.
Bramshaw	SU279157	1991	RV	Near Porters Farm.
West Wellow Common	SU285177	1993	RV	

#### Molinia caerulea Purple Moor-grass

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*M. caerulea* lacks suitable habitat in much of the county, especially VC7. It prefers permanently or seasonally waterlogged soils, especially peat, and is most frequently associated with bogs, heaths and open woodland on acidic soils. It has been found near Bromham, in Savernake Forest, and in the CWP. In VC8 it is widespread in the New Forest area.

VC/				
Chittoe	ST939665	1984	DG	In a field.
Spye Park	ST948679	1985	DG	
Spye Park	ST949680	1990	DG	
CWP	SU035935	1986	DG	Near Pit 40.
Savernake Forest	SU228648	2006	SPi	Bank of track near The Column.
Savernake Forest	SU235653	1988	DCo	

#### Monotropa hypopitys Yellow Bird's-nest

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

#### IUCN Endangered

VCT

*M. hypopitys* is a rare plant here, with all sites in VC8 on the Wiltshire-Hampshire border near Salisbury. Typically, it occurs in leaf litter in *Fagus* woodlands, where it prefers deeply shaded conditions. It was also recorded for some years at Monkton Farleigh in VC7, but has not been seen there since 1984.

<b>VC7</b> Monkton Farleigh	ST796663	1984	DG	
VC8				
Martin Down	SU02F	1987	Unknown	Vernditch Chase.
Downton	SU1821	1995	JHo	
Newton Tony	SU236385	2005	DGr	In beech woodland.
Porton	SU2437	1993	BL	
Bentley Wood	SU251305	1995	PMW	Hooping Oak Copse, old railway.

#### Montia fontana Blinks

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*M. fontana* is a species of acidic to neutral wet flushes, damp tracks, streamsides and other wet places where vegetative competition is low. Suitable habitat is rare in VC7 and 8, with the exception of the New Forest, where there are many sites.

Draycot Park	ST934797	1986	DG	On bare sand close to motorway.
Bury Hill	SU052903	1989	DG	On track up from farm.
Marlborough	SU249638	2001	JN & DG	Tottenham House.

#### Myosotis secunda Creeping Forget-me-not

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*M. secunda* is restricted to wet habitats on acid soils, including peat and heavy clay. It has been recorded in pond margins, bogs and marshes, and may have been misrecorded as the similar *M. laxa* and *M. scorpioides* in the past. In VC7 it has mainly been found beside ponds and lakes on heavy clay.

VC7				
Notton	ST9070	1984	ECul	
Kington Langley	ST925772	1984	DG	
Derry Hill	ST9370	1984	ECul	
Eastcourt	ST9792	1984	MKi	
Kemble	SU0098	1984	SWh	
CWP	SU063936	2006	SPi	Occasional near Lake 68d.
Coate Water	SU179815	1984	DG	
Bedwyn Brail	SU2862	1987	MPo	

#### Myosurus minimus Mousetail

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IUCN Vulnerable

*M. minimus* is an annual of seasonally wet, nutrient-rich hollows in arable land, ruts and other disturbed ground. All sites in the county are in VC8, with a cluster of records in the Shalbourne area and another in the Vale of Pewsey.

#### VC8

VC7

tpath through hayfield.
Nursery, in daffodil field.
nd. GR confidential.
e to arable field, bare mud.
ver's Hill Farm.

#### Nardus stricta Mat-grass

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*N. stricta* has been most frequently recorded in the New Forest area but a few other records exist where conditions are suitable, including the Savernake Forest area near Marlborough. One very interesting and atypical site is on Salsibury Plain, an apparently highly unsuitable area.

#### VC7

Savernake Forest	SU238656	1990	DG	Near Grand Avenue junction.
Savernake Forest	SU253648	1984	MPo	

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

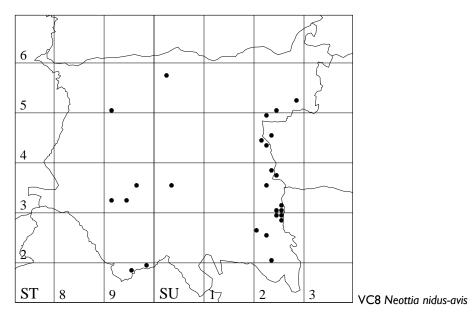
VC8				
DTE (SP) East	SU206573	1988	BG	Weatherhill.
Plaitford Common	SU2618	99	RV	
Penn Common	SU269168	99	RV	South-eastern end of common.
Penn Common	SU277171	99	RV	North-eastern end of common.
Plaitford Common	SU278190	1991	ABy	
Penn Common	SU281168	99	RV	South-western end of common.
Plaitford Common	SU281187	99	RV	
Canada Common	SU285178	1991	RV	North-western end of common.

## Neottia nidus-avis Bird's-nest Orchid

## **IUCN Near Threatened**

*N. nidus-avis* is widespread but local across much of the county and is most frequent in the beech woodlands on the Hampshire border east of Salisbury. It is a saprophytic orchid and sensitive to disturbance, losses elsewhere may be due to changes in woodland management.

VC7			
Limpley Stoke	ST786624	1984	DG
Murhill	ST790608	2000	JMa
Colerne	ST8070	1989	DG
Slaughterford	ST838737	1989	DG
Atworth	ST855669	1987	RWa
Leigh Delamere	ST898797	1991	OMe
Brinkworth	SU022881	1986	DG
Compton Bassett	SU0371	1986	DG
Savernake Forest	SU232640	1988	ASa



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Native

VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### Nepeta cataria Cat-mint

#### **IUCN** Vulnerable

*N. cataria* is scattered across Wiltshire; it is scarce in VC7 and more widespread in VC8. A perennial herb of rough grassland, waysides and scrubby habitats on calcareous soils, all VC7 records require updating to check if the populations are extant.

<b>VC7</b> Slaughterford Long Dean Hullavington Littlecote Chilton Foliat	ST838730 ST849757 ST887813 SU298700 SU3070	988   987   987   986   986	DG ACI JHa JN & BPh SKi	Along farm track, 5 plants. Lane above mill. Disturbed ground. One large plant in scrub. Edge of cultivated field.
VC8				
Deptford	ST998387	1987	JDo	The Manor, road-verge.
Dinton	SU016327	1988	MTy	In corner of hay field.
South Allenford	SU064176	1986	JOu	Kites Nest Farm.
South Allenford	SU067181	1986	JOu	Rough hedge, many plants.
South Allenford	SU075166	1986	JOu	In border of cultivated field.
South Allenford	SU075180	1984	JOu	Wheatfield.
Homington	SU123271	1989	JAc	Field edge by footpath.
Odstock	SUI 50273	1991	JOu	On banks, hospital car park.
New Court Down	SU153225	2000	DJW & PWi	Edge of newly made estate road.
Downton	SU163226	2000	DJW & PWi	Longford Farm.
Bulford	SU198408	2006	JMo	Ratfyn Farm, field margin.
Wilton	SU278617	1989	ASu	On road verge, garden escape?.

#### **Oenanthe aquatica Fine-leaved Water-dropwort**

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

*O. aquatica* is surprisingly rare in the county; it has only been recorded from one site in the Wylye Valley, in the same location as a confirmed colony of *O. fluviatilis*, and its current status there needs to be confirmed.

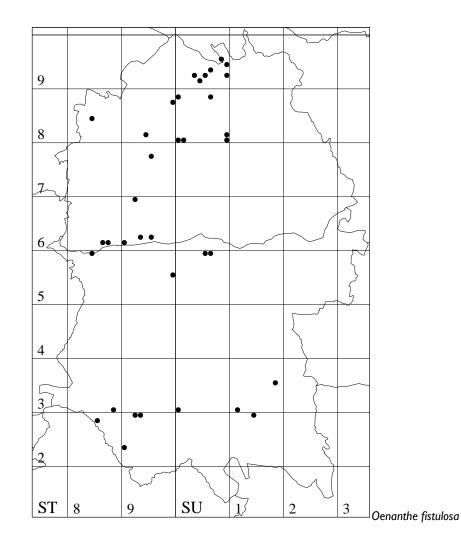
VC8				
Upton Lovell	ST944404	1988	JHo	At edge of slow moving stream.

#### Oenanthe fistulosa Tubular Water-dropwort

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Vulnerable

A recent large decline in the national population of *O. fistulosa* has placed it on the red list. Here, it has been quite widely recorded, although many records are now quite old and need to be re-confirmed. It is typically found in damp, unimproved neutral grassland, ditchsides and pond edges, and is most frequent in the clay vales between Trowbridge and Minety. It is much less frequent in VC8.



## **Oenanthe fluvialitis River Water-dropwort**

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Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

*O. fluviatilis* is a perennial herb of clear, calcareous moderate to fast-flowing rivers and large streams in Wiltshire. There are populations in the River Wylye downstream of Warminster, in the Salisbury Avon, in the Bristol Avon, near Malmesbury, and in streams in the CWP area. Many of these populations appear to be very persistent.

VC/				
Malmesbury	ST935868	1988	JWa	Sherston branch of River Avon.
Malmesbury	ST935871	1988	JWa	Tetbury branch of River Avon.
Malmesbury	ST943860	2005	JWa	River Avon.
Malmesbury	ST946856	2005	JWa	Known here for many years.
Ashton Keynes	SU043934	1988	DG	Swill Brook, west of Three Bridges.
Cricklade	SU0994	1985	KPa	North Meadow, River Churn.

VC8				
Warminster	ST883441	2005	SPi & JFo	River Wylye, in very shallow water.
Bishopstrowe	ST891441	1989	VHo	River Wylye, Boreham Mill.
Bishopstrowe	ST898438	2006	SPi	River Wylye. Near road bridge.
Norton Bavant	ST909427	2006	SPi	River Wylye, near bridge.
Heytesbury	ST925424	1999	NHo	River Wylye.
Upton Lovell	ST944404	1988	Unknown	At edge of slow moving brook.
Codford	ST973394	1999	NHo	River Wylye.
Netton	SU126366	1994	PWi & MRe	River Avon near Heale House.
Charlton	SU173232	1990	Unknown	Marshy ditch in water-meadows.

#### Oenanthe lachenalii Parsley Water-dropwort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 absent

*O. lachenalii* has only been found in the north of VC7, where former upper Thames valley habitats were replaced by agriculture and sand and gravel workings. Disused aggregate sites in the CWP now provide an alternative habitat for the species. The current status of some of these populations requires confirmation.

VC7				
Charlton	ST999883	1987	JFr	Pond Farm.
CWP	SU011945	1984	DG	Pit 54.
CWP Pike Corner	SU036932	2006	GLe & LMa	Many plants in two fields.
Flaxlands	SU065847	1984	DG	Flaxlands Manor, in a spring-fed fen.

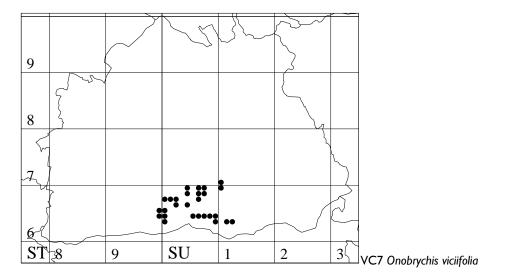
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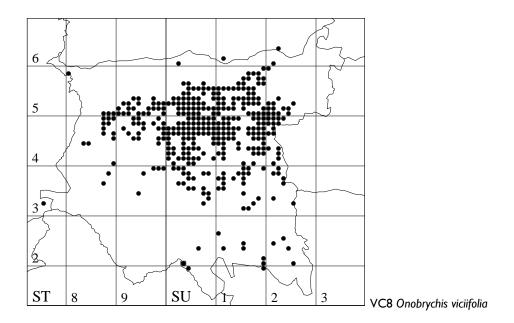
Probably native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Near Threatened

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*O. viciifolia* in Wiltshire is a characteristic member of unimproved calcareous grassland communities on Salisbury Plain and elsewhere. Recent introductions include landscape plantings on road verges and housing bunds.





## **Onopordum acanthium Cotton Thistle**

Archaeophyte VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

In the Wiltshire flora (1993) O. acanthium was treated as an introduction, but it is now regarded as an archaeophyte. It has been recorded in scattered locations across the county, rarely persisting for very long. Its habitats include railway land, field edges, wasteland, and tracksides. It may arise as a casual when it escapes from gardens, where it is often grown.

V CO				
Devizes	SU005619	1985	PCI	Cemetery.
Devizes	SU013617	1987	PCI	On bank of K & A Canal.
Steeple Langford	SU038371	1987	BL	Disturbed soil near gravel pit.
DTE (SP)	SU0946	2001	BL	Outside car park of the Bustard Inn.
Salisbury	SUI38312	1988	PMo	The Butts on disturbed soil.
Laverstock	SUI 57335	1989	PMo	Old Sarum Airfield.
Laverstock	SU162319	1990	PMo	St. Thomas Bridge, in farmyard.

## **Ophrys insectifera Fly Orchid**

IUCN Vulnerable

VCQ

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*O. insectifera* has been quite widely recorded, especially in VC8, where it is a species of calcareous grassland, open woodland and scrub, as well as quarries. Populations can be very small but are often very persistent, given suitable habitat management.

VC7				
Box	ST803667	1984	LWi	Kingsdown. GR is Ashley Wood.
Westwood	ST805599	1986	GY	Field below quarry.
Colerne	ST8070	1988	DG	
Avoncliff	ST810602	2004	JFo	By Beccy Addy Wood.
Morgan's Hill	SU0267	2002	CBG	In downland.
Walkers Hill	SUI 13634	1983	Unknown	
Markham Hill	SU134795	1994	JN	By Clouts Wood.

VC8				
Heytesbury	ST936426	1984	Unknown	Plantation woodland.
Tollard Royal	ST9518	1997	PMW	Rushmore Estate.
Little Cheverell	ST972534	1991	BHa	Below Pear Tree Hill.
Deanland	ST982192	1998	DJW	Chase Woods.
Alvediston	ST9822	1987	MMo	South Down.
Grovely Wood	SU013342	1991	SPr	Recently cleared fire break, slope.
Compton Down	SU038288	1990	MTy	On north-west facing slope.
Barford Down	SU194229	1985	NCh	Embankment north of bridge.
Pitton	SU208303	2003	DJW	Three plants beside right-of-way.
Bentley Wood	SU250295	1987	BGi	
Bentley Wood	SU257315	1993	PMW	Cpt. 05b: Pimlico.

## **Ophrys sphegodes Early Spider-orchid**

Nationally Scarce Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8 Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

One plant of *O. sphegodes* was recorded in CG3 chalk grassland near Downton. It was not found when searches were undertaken in 1995, and it may now be extinct in the county.

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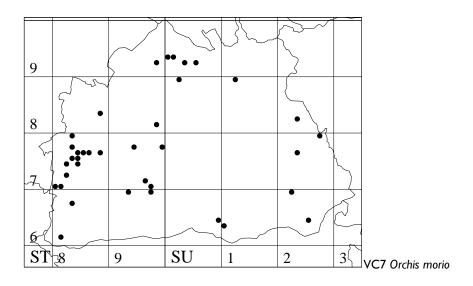
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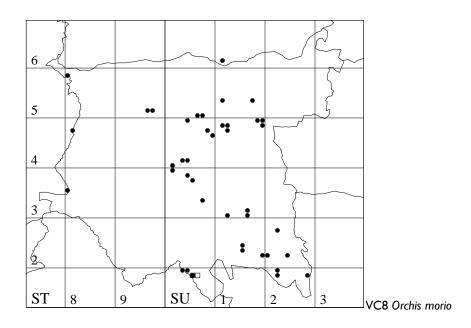
## Orchis morio Green-winged Orchid

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

## IUCN Near Threatened

*O. morio* is widespread in semi-natural neutral and calcareous grasslands in the county, although the national population has declined, placing the species on the red list. Most of the Wiltshire sites are well known, and many are within SSSIs and Wildlife Sites. In VC7 it is most frequent in damp unimproved neutral grassland in the west. In VC8 it is more typical of calcareous downland around Salisbury. Some of the populations on the eastern part of Salisbury Plain number up to 10,000 plants.





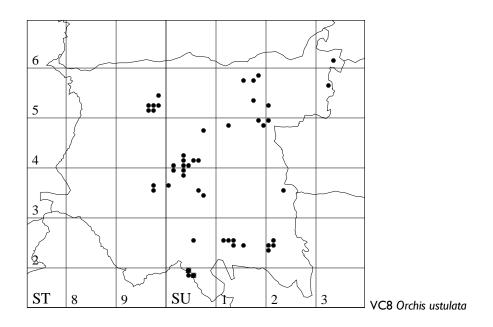
# Orchis ustulata Burnt Orchid

Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

Wiltshire probably holds the largest remaining population of *O. ustulata* in the country. This beautiful orchid is most common in unimproved chalk grassland in VC8, where many of the sites are within SSSIs and other protected sites. Most populations are early-flowering, but several, particularly in VC7, support a July-flowering form. Population sizes vary considerably, from a few plants to thousands.

## VC7

Clattinger Farm	SU009932	2006	GLe & LMa	One spike.
Clattinger Farm	SU015934	2006	GLe & LMa	Refind of earlier record.
Cherhill	SU041694	1984	Unknown	
Tan Hill	SU096644	1986	KPa	Downland slope.
Milk Hill	SU097636	1985	KPa	Downland slope.
Walkers Hill	SUI12632	2006	JN et al.	On the bank below Giants Grave.
Knap Hill	SU120634	1988	JOu	South of hill.
Peaks Down	SU259788	1985	JN	Eleven spikes.
Baydon	SU276797	1987	JN	Bailey Hill, in downland

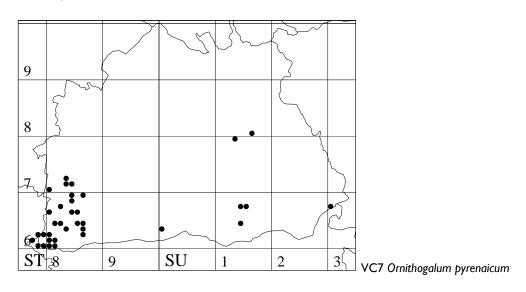


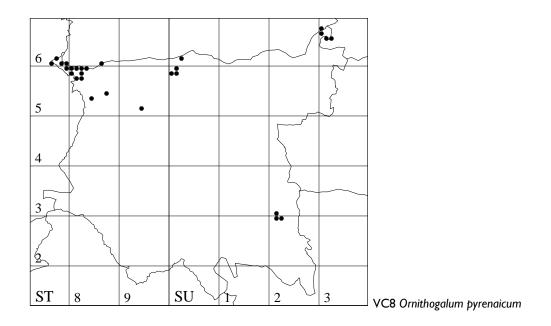
# Ornithogalum pyrenaicum Spiked Star-of-Bethlehem

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

The distribution of *O. pyrenaicum* in Wiltshire is mainly restricted to the oolitic limestone country east of Bath, where it is a distinctive and frequent species of woodlands, road verges, hedgebanks and occasionally grassland. Outlying populations occur elsewhere, including Clouts Wood near Swindon, and on the western ranges of Salisbury Plain.





## Ornithopus perpusillus Bird's-foot

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

O. perpusillus is a diminutive annual of short, often summer-parched acid grasslands and rocky areas. Such habitat requirements restrict this nationally widespread species in Wiltshire. In VC7 it is uncommon on sandy soils between Melksham and Marlborough; in VC8 it is locally frequent on the greensand in the New Forest area.

VC7				
Bowden Hill	ST949680	1990	DG	West of Loxwell Farm, short turf.
Spye Park	ST955683	1993	DG	The Warren, newly turned soil.
Spye Park	ST960675	1985	DG	Rides, Pond Moor to Leech Pool.
Compton Bassett	SU023727	1990	DBI	Freeth Farm, in fields.
Savernake Forest	SU229647	2006	JN	Acid grassland by monument.
VC8				
Redlynch	SU223176	1991	DJW	Burnt Ground Wood, by track.
Landford	SU251203	1987	PWi	Waste area in tree nursery.
Plaitford Common	SU2616	1991	RV	Southern part.
Bramshaw	SU268173	1991	RV	Deazle Wood.
Cadnam Common	SU283152	1991	RV	South of Blenmans Farm.
Furzley Common	SU284162	1991	RV	
West Wellow Common	SU286182	1991	RV	
Canada Common	SU287177	1991	RV	

#### Osmunda regalis Royal Fern

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

This large fern has always been rare in Wiltshire; most of its current VC8 sites are now in Hampshire. On the Stourhead estate it is well established by the main lake, where it was originally planted, but has been spreading to new sites in recent times (these records have been excluded). There is only one site in VC7 at Chilton Foliat, where *O. regalis* has been known for a long time.

# VC7

Chilton Foliat SU324702	1983	DG	One clump.
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VC8				
Damerham	SU100147	1991	IRa	Ashridge Copse.
Plaitford Common	SU272186	1986	RV	
West Wellow Common	SU283191	2005	RV	At northern end of common.

#### Papaver argemone Prickly Poppy

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### IUCN Vulnerable

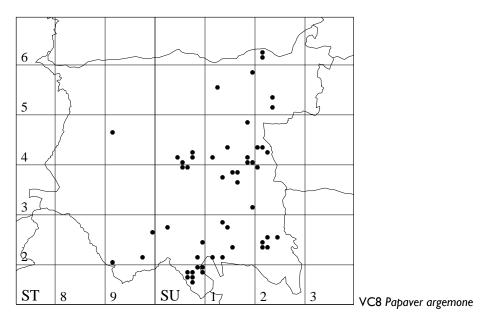
*P. argemone* is one of a suite of declining arable plants that are now very uncommon nationally. In Wiltshire, especially in VC8, it is occasionally found in unsprayed field corners and headlands, and, on Salisbury Plain, in game plots and disturbed ground beside tank tracks. Usually it occurs in small numbers, with often just a few plants at any site. Recent surveys undertaken by FWAG and WBS have produced a suite of new records in VC8.

## VC7

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Naish Hill	ST938692	1986	JPa
Derry Hill	ST958707	1987	GWa
Great Somerford	ST958823	1990	PDa
Great Somerford	ST963823	1990	PDa
Bromham	ST967644	1987	RPo
Compton Bassett	SU026725	1990	DBI
Beckhampton	SU065693	1996	PAn
Horton	SU083667	1991	PWi

Near Lansdown Arms.
Set aside field, many plants.
Set aside field, many plants.
Hawkstreet Farm.
Freeth Farm, west side of track.
Toward Cherhill.
Townsend Farm.



#### Papaver dubium ssp. lecoqii Long-headed Poppy

Archaeophyte VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

Also known as Yellow-juiced Poppy, in VC7 this annual is widespread on calcareous clays and other heavy soils, but it is rare in VC8, where it has been recorded on the edge of arable fields and on ground disturbed by military training activities. It may also have been mis-recorded as ssp. *dubium*, which is a widespread species in both vice-counties.

VC8				
Westbury	ST975509	2006	RDu	The Butts, a weed in gardens.
Stratford Toney	SU092241	1990	PWi	New Farm Barn, oilseed rape field.
DTE (SP) East	SU245487	1995	JEO	Perham Down. Various habitats.
Henley	SU326593	1989	ĒR	

### Papaver hybridum Rough Poppy

Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*P. hybridum* has a striking distribution in the county. It has been recorded from many chalky arable sites within a 20 km radius of Salisbury but is virtually absent elsewhere. Surveys undertaken by FWAG in 2006 found two new VC7 sites.

#### VC7

Bishops Cannings	SU034670	2006	TRe	Baltic Farm.
Bishops Cannings	SU042672	2006	TRe	Baltic Farm.
Sherston	ST858864	1990	ACI	

#### Pedicularis palustris Marsh Lousewort

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

Only one site has been recorded for *P. palustris* in the county, at a military site. It prefers wet, slightly enriched soils, often in wet heathland, marshes and fens. Here it has been recorded in a man-made site, with other wet heath plants. The current status of this population requires confirmation.

VC8				
Dilton	SU008305	1987	PPi	Chilmark RAF base.

#### Pedicularis sylvatica Lousewort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*P. sylvatica* is a hemiparasite found in marshes, heaths, and rough grassland. It has always been uncommon in the county, although it is marginally more common in VC8 than the north. In VC7 it has a small population locus in the Braydon Forest area, but is scattered elsewhere. Many of the VC7 records need to be checked to see if the plants are still there.

VC7				
Colerne	ST8170	1984	DG	
Atworth	ST8466	1984	RWo	
Studley	ST962719	1993	EN	Stanley Abbey Farm.
Eastcourt	ST980919	1993	EN	Eastcourt Meadows.
Quemerford	SU0170	1984	BG	
Somerford Common	SU0386	1984	JFr	
Callow Hill	SU0485	1984	MSt	
Green Hill	SU0786	1984	JFr	
Cobham Frith	SU257673	2005	ĴN	Path in forestry plantation.
Bedwyn Brail	SU2862	1987	MPo	

# PLATE 4. PLANTS OF CULTIVATED LAND













# PLATE 5. PLANTS OF WOODLAND













#### Persicaria minor Small Water-pepper

#### IUCN Vulnerable

*P. minor* is occasional in the New Forest corner of VC8, where it can be found in damp tracks and pond margins.

VC8
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Plaitford Common	SU268173	1991	RV	In Deazle Wood.
Plaitford Common	SU2717	1983	FRo	
Bramshaw	SU273168	1980	PBo	Penn Common, marshy grassland.
Furzley	SU286166	2005	DJW	Growing with P. hydropiper.
Canada Common	SU286179	1980	PBo	Near spring at edge of common.
West Wellow Common	SU286183	1996	RV	On drying mud in damp hollow.

## Petroselinum segetum Corn Parsley

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*P. segetum* is widespread but local on well-drained calcareous soils in VC8, where it is usually found in arable land and rough grassland. In VC7 it is more scarce and mostly restricted to sites in the far north.

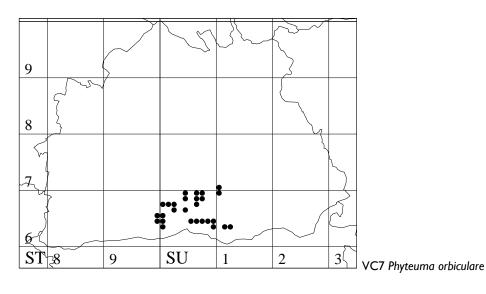
ST803607	1983	JP	Garden weed.
ST88583 I	1985	DG	Field / railway boundary.
ST897721	2006	SPi	Verge A4/A350 roundabout.
ST962952	1985	CKi & Mki	South-east corner of wheatfield.
SU036951	1984	RR	Possibly introduced.
SU208915	1987	MSt	-
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# Phyteuma orbiculare Round-headed Rampion

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

*P. orbiculare* is a species of high-quality chalk grassland, and it is especially characteristic of old banks, trackways and other archaeological remains. Wiltshire supports many important populations which are scattered across downland sites. Its main stronghold in the county is in the Pewsey Downs area (VC7). A record in the New Forest area (Bramshaw) is likely to be erroneous.



Martin Down DTE (SP) Martin Down Pewsey Everleigh Porton Down East Winterslow	SU0419 SU043471 SU054181 SU173581 SU2053 SU2135 SU238339	1990 2000 2006 1997 1986 1995 1986	PTo ER SPi, MWa & SY PDa DSo DGr Unknown	Near Westdown Camp. On banks of track. North-facing scarp slope. Roadside. 100 plants on scrubby lane verge.				
Winterslow Roche Court Down	SU2434 SU251358	2003 1997	RDi CBe	Old site.				
<b>Pilularia globulifera Pi</b> Nationally Scarce IUCN Near Threatened	llwort			Native VC7 <i>absent</i> ; VC8 Rare UKBAP species				
				ed at Hamptworth Common in the New The colony is in a small pool, covering an				
<b>VC8</b> Plaitford Common	SU274173	2005	RV					
Pinguicula lusitanica Pale ButterwortNativeVC7 absent; VC8 Scarce								
P. lusitanica is a characte VC8.	eristic herb of	f New Forest	mires and wet hea	aths, and is restricted to a small area of				
VC8 Damerham Landford West Wellow Common Cadnam Common Furzley Common	SU092134 SU259185 SU283190 SU284158 SU286167	989 2006 2005   99   2005	PBo WBS RV RV DJW, PMW & RV	Small bog, Lopshill Common. In WWT reserve. In wetter parts of Furzley Bog.				
West Wellow Common Plantago coronopus B	SU286183	2005	RV	Eastern edge of common. Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce				
				v Cr mare, v Co not scurce				

In VC7 *P. coronopus* has only been recorded at two sites. The Chippenham site may subsequently have been lost to a housing development. It has also been recorded quite frequently on acidic, sandy or stony ground in the New Forest corner of VC8. A few recent records appear to stem from the modern practice of salting roads in winter.

## VC7

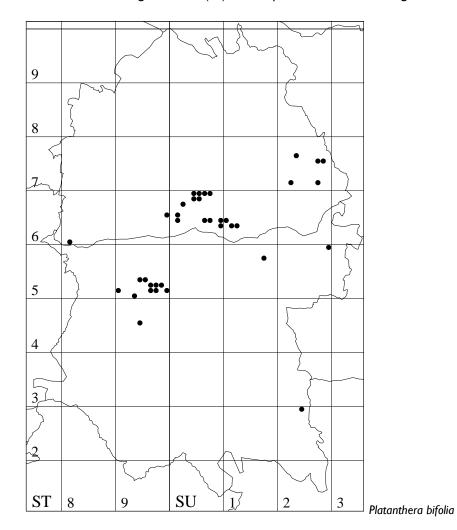
VC8

Chippenham	ST927740	2006	SPi	Old cattlemarket site, many plants.
Spye Park	ST964764	1987	DG	Track in forestry commision land.

## Platanthera bifolia Lesser Butterfly-orchid

## IUCN Vulnerable

*P. bifolia* is characteristically a species of herb-rich chalk downland in the county and it has been widely recorded in suitable locations, often with a range of other orchids. It is frequent on the Pewsey Downs, on the northern Imber Ranges of DTE (SP) and on parts of the Marlborough Downs.

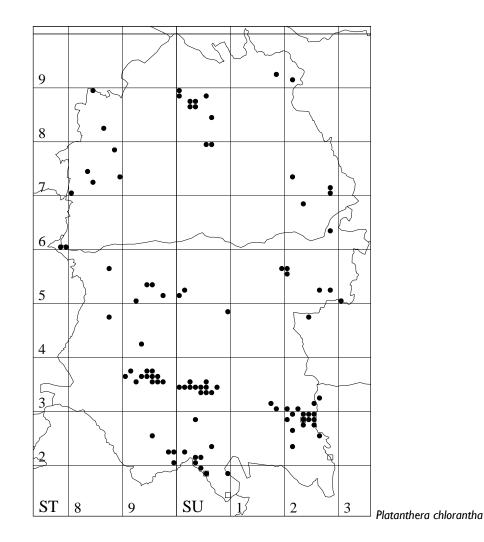


### Platanthera chlorantha Greater Butterfly-orchid

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

## IUCN Near Threatened

*P. chlorantha* has been widely recorded across both VC7 and VC8, often occurring in woodland clearings, tracks and rides, on species-rich calcareous downland and in scrubby grassland. It is more frequent in the county than *P. bifolia* and may be relatively stable in Wiltshire, but it has declined significantly elsewhere.



## Poa angustifolia Narrow-leaved Meadow-grass

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*P. angustifolia* is probably under-recorded. Most populations have been found on road-verges or well-drained grassy verges, but it can also be found on walls and in other habitats.

VC7				
Ford	ST843747	1983	DG	Cutting face of A420.
Yatton Keynell	ST850761	1983	DG	West Yatton Down.
Chippenham	ST921737	2006	SPi	Railway station car park wall.

### Poa compressa Flattened Meadow-grass

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

*P. compressa* is quite frequent in the western part of VC7, where it has been recorded in many sites between Bradford-on-Avon, Chippenham and the Braydon Forest. Across the county it is a grass of walls, wood-clearings, brownfield land, tracks, pavements and roadside habitats. It is rare in VC8, where its continued presence at all sites requires confirmation.

VC8				
West Ashton	ST882554	1987	DG	On a wall.
Porton Down	SU215357	1989	OSi	Scattered throughout this area.
Brunton	SU255575	1988	FPr	Hedge bank of farm track.

#### Poa humilis Speading Meadow-grass

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*P. humilis* is almost certainly under-recorded in the county, especially on Salisbury Plain where it may be widespread. Its inland lowland habitats include neutral and calcareous grassland, wall-tops, and roadsides. It used to be included within the *P. pratensis* aggregate but is probably widely ignored or overlooked.

<b>VC7</b> Walker's Hill	SUI11629	1985	KPa	Chalk downland.
VC8				
DTE (SP)	SU067479	2005	SPi	Greenlands Camp, in CG3.
Sidbury Hill	SU201512	2004	SPi	•
Bentley Wood	SU258295	2001	PWi	Cpt.16: Eastern clearing.
Bramshaw	SU269173	1991	VWi	Roadsides at edge of Deazle Wood.
Plaitford Common	SU270171	1991	ABy	J
Furzley	SU288166	1989	VŴi	

#### Polygala serpyllifolia Heath Milkwort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*P. serpyllifolia* is a species of acid soils, often in open grassland, heathland, woodland rides and other marginal habitats. In VC7 there is a concentration of records in the acid woodlands around Savernake Forest. It is rare elsewhere in the vice-county. Most Wiltshire records are now 20 or more years old, and the current status of most populations requires confirmation.

VC/				
Chippenham	ST9374	1984	DGri	
Oaksey	ST9994	1984	CKi & MKi	
Roundway	SU0062	1984	BG	
Callow Hill	SU0485	1984	MSt	
Durley	SU2364	1984	ASu	
Chisbury	SU255668	2006	JN	Cobham Frith, along grassy rides.
Chisbury	SU255670	2005	JN	Cobham Frith, on woodland paths.
Chisbury	SU2666	1984	ASu	

#### Polygonatum odoratum Angular Solomon's-seal

Nationally Scarce

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*P. odoratum* is only known in Wiltshire from a handful of records in the By Brook valley (VC7) where it has long been known from rocky ancient *Fraxinus* woodlands. Population sizes vary from small numbers to many thousands of flowering spikes. Searches in 2006 failed to find some of the populations.

ST8276	1987	JHa	Out Woods
ST829756	1985	DG	In Wraxall Park wood.
ST833763	1985	DG	Out Woods.
ST837727	1985	DG	In Colerne Park wood.
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Native

VC7 Scarce; VC8 absent

#### Polygonum rurivagum Cornfield Knotgrass

*P. rurivagum* has always been a rare plant in the county with only a handful of sites from each VC. It is restricted to arable field margins, particularly on well-drained chalky soils and calcareous clays. Other recent records requiring verification have not been included here.

<b>VC7</b> Biddestone Biddestone Chippenham Spye Park Grittenham	ST873728 ST875734 ST900745 ST955674 SU028835	988   988   989 2005   989	DG DG JHa KAd DG	Cabbage field. Edge of arable field. Arable field.
<b>VC8</b> Stockton Wood DTE (SP) Tilshead Odstock Down Bulford Collingbourne Ducis	ST974355 SU022478 SU137250 SU199408 SU239532	1994 2006 1989 2006 2005	DG SPi & HEt GSt JMo Unknown	In cornfield north of Chilmark. Abundant in game plot. Arable field. Ratfyn Farm. Court Farm.

#### Potamogeton berchtoldii Small Pondweed

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

*P. berchtoldii* has been mainly recorded in the Kennet & Avon Canal; elsewhere it is frequent in some CWP lakes and scattered in ponds. It is a species of still or slowly-flowing waters, and it may easily be overlooked or misrecorded as the very similar *P. pusillus*.

VCO				
Gasper	ST757344	2006	SPi & PMW	Convent Bottom area, in pond.
Wingfield	ST816569	2004	SPi & SY	Pond, Pomeroy Lane.
Devizes	ST988615	1986	DG	In K & A Canal.
East Harnham	SU152286	1998	WBS	Water meadows.
Pewsey	SUI54612	1986	DG	In K & A Canal.
Loosehanger	SU212194	1989	DJW	Upper pond, with P. natans.
Redlynch	SU217186	1989	DJW	Quar Hill Plantation. Pond.
Ram Alley	SU218635	1988	ASa	Burbage Wharf.
Bentley Wood	SU245279	2005	PMW	Cpt. 03: Draining Field.
Wellow Common	SU279195	1991	АВу	Small, almost dried up pond.

## Potamogeton friesii Flat-stalked Pondweed

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

#### IUCN Near Threatened

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*P. friesii* has long been associated with the canal network in Britain, and its two Wiltshire sites both occur in the Kennet & Avon Canal, nominally VC8. It is also a colonist of flooded gravel pits and therefore has potential to appear elsewhere, particularly in the CWP area.

VC8				
Devizes	ST988615	1986	DG	In K & A Canal.
Froxfield	SU301673	1988	CMc	In K & A Canal.

### Potamogeton nodosus Loddon Pondweed

Nationally Rare IUCN Vulnerable

*P. nodosus* is a distinctive macrophyte of a short stretch of the Bristol Avon, where it has been recorded between Staverton and Freshford, and beyond, toward Bath and into Somerset (VC6). It forms extensive submerged populations in places, in shallow or deep water, but avoiding the softest sediments. Populations appear to be very persistent. As many of the populations lie on the vice-county boundary (the river) they are listed together.

VC7 and VC8				
Conkwell	ST7861	1994	DG	River Avon.
Limpley Stoke	ST7862	1994	DG	River Avon near Dundas Aqueduct.
Limpley Stoke	ST786608	1997	JEO	
Freshford	ST795602	2003	SPi	Small colony.
Avoncliff	ST803599	2004	SPi	Floating leaves abundant in river.
Avoncliff	ST805601	1987	DG	Below weir.
Bradford-on-Avon	ST822605	2006	SPi	Both sides of packhorse bridge.
Bradford-on-Avon	ST830607	1978	PGo	
Staverton	ST8560	1994	DG	

#### Potamogeton obtusifolius Blunt-leaved Pondweed

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

*P. obtusifolius* is a very rare species in the county, with one record in the Kennet & Avon Canal near Devizes (nominally VC8), and another from the Salisbury Avon. It tends to prefer nutrient-rich standing and flowing water, usually of an acidic to neutral reaction.

#### VC8

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Foxhanger	ST998615	1989	JOu	In deepest parts of K & A Canal.
Amesbury	SU149416	2003	NGr	In River Avon.

#### Potamogeton perfoliatus Perfoliate Pondweed

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

In VC7 *P. perfoliatus* has most frequently been recorded in the Kennet & Avon Canal, as well as the By Brook in the west, and the Swill Brook in the CWP area. It is a species of base-rich waters and is slightly more common in VC8, where it is a distinctive submerged macrophyte of the Salisbury Avon and its tributaries.

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Old Mill.
f Three Bridges.

#### Potamogeton trichoides Hairlike Pondweed

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*P. trichoides* is occasional in some of the marl lakes of the CWP, but where it is found populations can be extensive. An aquatic macrophyte survey of many of the lakes in 2004 greatly improved knowledge of the status of this species in the area.

VC7 CWP CWP CWP	SU019936 SU028957 SU033936	2004 2004 2004	NSt & MMi NSt & MMi NSt & DRe	Lake 46/48. Lake 32. West end of Lake 40.
CWP CWP	SU064939 SU066946	2006 2006	SPi & JN JEO	Lake 68b. Lake 74 and other new sites nearby.
VC8 Honey Street	SU100616	1986	JOu	K & A Canal.

#### Potentilla anglica Trailing Tormentil

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

*P. anglica* is a rare plant in both vice-counties, where it prefers well-drained acidic soils and has been recorded in pasture and road-verges among other habitats. There is a small concentration of records in VC7 on the greensand east of Melksham.

<b>VC7</b> Chittoe Westbrook Sandy Lane	ST951661 ST952652 ST955683	1987 1987 1990	DG DG DG	Prickmoor Wood Pasture near Prickmoor Wood. The Warren.
<b>VC8</b> Semley Plaitford Plaitford	ST888269 SU279193 SU283208	1987 1998 1991	JN RV RV	On verges. Verge of unmetalled road. Plaitford Farm.

#### Potentilla palustris Marsh Cinquefoil

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

*P. palustris* has been found at only one site in VC8, in the New Forest. It might be expected to be found elsewhere with suitable habitat conditions: it is a species of seasonally or permanently wet ground, including pond and lake margins, bog pools and swamps.

VC8			
Bramshaw	SU2816	1993	DJW

**Pulicaria vulgaris Small Fleabane** Nationally Rare IUCN Critically Endangered Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8 Native VC7 absent; VC8 Scarce

*P. vulgaris* is most characteristically a species of New Forest lawns where disturbance by ponies encourages germination. Most of the records are too old to record here, and the fate of these populations is not known. A 1989 record in Hullavington (VC7) is thought to have involved imported soil and has not been included.

VC8				
Bramshaw	SU270154	2005	MRa & RWa	Stocks Cross, small population.
Wittensford	SU282138	1980	AHa	By roadside.
Cadnam Common	SU289149	1985	SEv	Near Storm's Farm.
Cadnam Green	SU294143	1976	PBo	Pond, ditch and marsh depressions.

#### Pyrola minor Common Wintergreen

There are only two records, in VC8. The continued presence of the earlier Tisbury record needs to be confirmed, but the site at Plaitford is newly discovered, with many plants. Potential infilling of this site is a threat. *P. minor* is typically a plant of damp woodlands with deep litter, on a variety of soils.

#### VC8

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Fonthill	ST9132	1988	AHu	
Plaitford	SU273200	2006	MRa & MNo	Old sandpit, Giles Lane.

#### Radiola linoides Allseed

Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Scarce

IUCN Near Threatened

*R. linoides* has only been recorded in the New Forest corner of VC8, where it is a species of nutrient-poor acidic peaty or sandy open ground in heaths, acid grasslands, woodland rides and clearings.

VC8				
Damerham	SU096135	1985	PBo	Lopshill Common, near bog.
Plaitford	SU21U	1991	PBo	
Landford	SU225203	1994	PWi & MRe	Langley Wood, open heathy ride.
Plaitford	SU2617	1977	PBo	Canada Common.
Plaitford	SU280185	1991	FRo	Plaitford Common.
Bramshaw	SU283157	1986	RV	Cadnam Common, damp ground.
West Wellow Common	SU283191	1991	PBu	Damp heath, next to road.
Furzley Common	SU287166	1992	PBo	Peaty mud in trodden turf by track.

#### Ranunculus arvensis Corn Buttercup

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

IUCN Critically Endangered

This formerly widespread species has suffered a national decline and Wiltshire is no exception. Its seeds are very long-lived, and small populations do sometimes appear where they have not been previously recorded. *R. arvensis* has been recorded in a scattering of cultivated sites, often on heavy clay.

VC7				
Malmesbury Common	ST907848	1988	JWa	At edge of cornfield.
Corston	ST913827	1985	DHa	Near Corston Nursery.
Bishopstone	SU2582	1998	SKa	Eastbrook Farm, cornfield.
Marridge Hill	SU299737	1996	JN	Witcha Cottage.
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VC8				
Old Dilton	ST862493	1987	VHo	Cowfield Bottom. Organic cornfield.
Charlton	SU1055	1998	SKa	France Farm.
Charlton	SUI154	1998	SKa	France Farm.
Charlton	SU120558	2000	DG	
Rushall	SU127511	2006	SHe	
Pewsey	SU168598	1986	KNi	Dilton Farm, in cornfield.
Cholderton	SU2242	2004	ABy	
East Grafton	SU257602	2005	JN	Manor Farm, edge of cornfield.
Easton Royal	SU26A	2003	ASu	Weedy arable headland.
Shalbourne	SU308626	2006	SPr	Carver's Hill Farm, Cowfield Btm.

#### Ranunculus fluitans River Water-crowfoot

This perennial herb requires clear, fast-flowing base-rich water. There is one site for it in VC7, in a fast-flowing stretch of the Bristol Avon. *R. fluitans* is relatively common in VC8, especially in the Salisbury Avon and its tributaries.

### VC7

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Limpley Stoke	ST784612	2005	JP	Plentiful in River Avon.
Ranunculus omiop	hyllus Round-lea	aved Crow	vfoot	Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce
• •	soils. Although r	elatively wio		s, ruts, and other wet depressions, mostly on C8 in the New Forest area it is very rare in VC7,
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<b>VC7</b> Great Bedwyn	SU275658	1999	JN	Chisbury Wood, in ruts.
Ranunculus parvifl	orus Small-flow	ered Butt	ercup	Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

*R. parviflorus* is very rare in the county, with only two sites in the Salisbury area. It seems to prefer slightly disturbed or trampled ground, for example on tracks and roadsides, and as its seeds are very long-lived, it has the potential to appear suddenly following disturbance.

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Alderbury	SU192273	1999	DJW & PMW	Junction Road, several plants.
Bentley Wood	SU254300	2005	PMW	Cpt 09b: Redman's Gore (Barn).

#### Ranunculus peltatus Pond Water-crowfoot

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

Although it is of quite frequent occurrence in VC8, *R. peltatus* is a rare plant in VC7, with populations mainly found in dew-ponds on the Pewsey Downs. It has also been recorded in a few farm ponds further north. Its scarcity in the north of the county is hard to explain as there is plenty of suitable habitat; it is likely that unknown populations exist on private land.

VC7				
Castle Combe	ST834789	2006	RLa	Goulter's Mill Farm, mid-stream.
Oaksey	ST983927	1987	CKi & Mki	In a pond.
Dauntsey	ST984818	2005	SPi	Deep pond overhung by willows.
Milk Hill	SU099644	1986	KPa	Dew pond.
Milk Hill	SU102639	1989	KPa	In dew pond.
Knap Hill	SU123637	2006	JN	Tan Hill Way, small dew-pond.
Pewsey Downs	SU133639	1994	PAn	Golden Ball Hill, dew pond.

#### Ranunculus sardous Hairy Buttercup

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

In VC8 *R. sardous* has been recorded in only two sites, both in the New Forest, where it was recorded around ponds. Both records require updating.

VC8				
Plaitford Common	SU271171	1991	АВу	
Furzley	SU286166	1989	VWi	Around ponds west of village.

#### Ranunculus trichophyllus Thread-leaved Water-crowfoot

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

*R. trichophyllus* is a generally uncommon plant across the county where it is most typically found on wet mud at the edges of seasonally wet ponds; in VC7 it is also quite common in the CWP. It is scarce in VC8, with a concentration of populations in the clay vale between Trowbridge and Potterne. Elsewhere, it is a characteristic species of dew-ponds in chalk downland.

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Southwick	ST835561	2004	SPi	Pond in Southwick Country Park.
West Ashton	ST901545	1990	BHa	In small dried out pond.
Great Hutton	ST912595	1990	BHa	Pond north side of road.
Bulkington	ST954584	1990	BHa	Small dried out pond.
Poulshot	ST969598	1990	BHa	Village green.
Parsonage Down	SU039416	1984	BG	Reinstated dewpond.
Broad Chalke	SU054285	1991	BL	Small dewpond N of Little Down.
Redlynch	SU238175	2005	DJW	Tinney's Plantation.
Whiteparish	SU246236	1985	PWi	In pond behind surgery.

## Rhynchospora fusca Brown Beak-sedge

Nationally Scarce

Small populations of *R. fusca* have been recorded in the New Forest VC8, where it prefers bare, damp peat on wet heaths and mire edges. A rare plant nationally, *R. fusca* is more or less confined to the New Forest and Dorset heaths in the south.

#### VC8

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Plaitford Common	SU276190	2005	RV	20-30 plants in a small area.
Plaitford Common	SU277189	1987	PBo	Wet heath/mire.
West Wellow Common	SU283190	2005	RV	

Rorippa amphibia Great Yellow-cress	Native
	VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare
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*R. amphibia* has a striking distribution in Wiltshire. In VC7, it is relatively common, with many populations found along the banks of the Bristol Avon and beside streams, rivers, and flooded pits especially in the CWP and Swindon areas. In VC8, it is curiously very rare, with only two far-distant sites.

Limpley Stoke	ST782610	2006	PQu	On the weir.
Etchilhampton	SU056597	1989	ASa	Hatfield Farm, edge of pond.

#### Rorippa microphylla Narrow-fruited Water-cress

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*R. microphylla* is likely to be under-recorded across Wiltshire and its apparent absence from VC8 is inexplicable. Careful examination is required to separate this species from the more abundant *R. nasturtium-aquaticum*. Most of its VC7 sites are in ponds and ditches.

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

VC7 Winsley Little Ashley Alderton Sutton Benger	ST807617 ST814624 ST841824 ST946777	1999 2005 1990 1987	JP JP DG DG	Small abandoned agricultural pond. Several plants, pond. Pond.
Wootton Bassett Purton	SU047842 SU074882	1986 1984	MSt MSt	Withy Bed Wood, in ditch. Lower Pavenhill Farm in ditch.
<b>VC8</b> Bramshaw	SU272168	1998	RV	Penn Common.

#### Rosa agrestis Small-leaved Sweet-briar

Nationally Scarce IUCN Near Threatened

VC7

This very rare rose prefers open scrub in dry chalk grassland in VC8, where it often occurs with R.. micrantha and R. canina. It is relatively inconspicuous and is likely to be overlooked, especially as it often occurs as single bushes. The VC8 populations form part of the main national population of the species, and it remains vulnerable to the impermanence of its habitat.

VC8				
Martin	SU085200	1996	PSt	Toyd Down, edge of chalk drove.
Rockbourne	SU089198	1995	PSt	Knap Barrow.
Martin	SU089207	1996	PSt	Toyd Farm.
Damerham	SU102182	1995	PSt	North-east of Knoll Farm.
Whitsbury Down	SUI18212	1996	PBo	Along drove road.
Whitsbury	SU121206	1995	PSt	Hedgerow near Scotland Farm.
Wick Down	SU127216	1995	PSt	
Gallows Hill	SU135213	1995	PSt	Scrub on chalk grassland.
Breamore Down	SU138209	1991	PBo	In scrub on edge of chalk grassland.
Breamore Down	SU138210	1991	PBo	Charford Drove.
Breamore Down	SU140205	1991	PBo	South Charford Drove.

#### Rosa micrantha Small-flowered Sweet-briar

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

*R. micrantha* is a scarce and widely scattered species across the county where its most characteristic habitats are hedgerows and woodland edges over calcareous soils. It has been most frequently recorded from the Wiltshire-Hampshire border woodlands, with a good population on the Porton Ranges.

ST826715	1990	Unknown	
ST839757	1984	DG	
SU082801	1984	JFr	Goldborough Farm.
SU203739	1998	ĴN	Along old railway track.
SU273638	2006	ĴN	Hatchet Lane, an old track.
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Native VC7 absent; VC8 not scarce

Stockton Wood Martin Down Woodyates Boscombe Down Pepperbox Hill Pepperbox Hill Porton Down Tower Hill West Dean West Wellow Common	ST962353 SU0319 SU032204 SU177411 SU2024 SU213248 SU227363 SU231386 SU255265 SU286187	1993 2000 1990 1989 1996 2006 2005 1988 2006 1991	DG BGo & JGo RV GNi RV PMVV & AAp SPi BL PMVV RV	On bridleway opposite wood. Occasional in scrub. Vernditch Chase. One plant on south-facing bank. Widespread across NT reserve. Reasonably plentiful in light scrub. In plantation on MOD land. North-east corner of common.
Rosa mollis Soft Dov	vny-rose			Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent
Only one site has beer at this site requires co				d is now old, and the status of the species thern England.
VC7 Reybridge	ST923693	1987	DG	
<b>R. obtusifolia Round</b> Nationally Scarce	-leaved Dog-ı	rose		Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce
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# Rosa rubiginosa Sweet-briar

**VC**8

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

*R. rubiginosa* is mostly found in hedgerows, scrub and grassland on calcareous soils. It has always been a rare species in VC7, with widely scattered sites. One of these, in the grounds of Marlborough College, is of uncertain origin. It is much more widespread in VC8, with most records from the Tidworth-Amesbury-Porton chalklands.

SU040700	2006	JN	Track to Cherhill Down.
SU041697	2006	ĴN	Track to Cherhill Down.
SU0880	1987	DG	Goldborough Farm, possibly hybrid.
SU173819	1996	JN	
SU183685	2003	JEO	Marlborough College.
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#### Rosa sherardii Sherard's Downy-rose

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*R. sherardii* has a few widely scattered sites in VC7. Like many of the other Rosa species in Wiltshire, it is typically found in hedgerows. Only one site has been found in VC8, near Bradford on Avon, where it is known from one plant.

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Luckington	ST836837	1996	PDa
Alderton	ST844825	1990	DG
Wooton Bassett	SU087805	1987	DG
Lockeridge	SU I 34649	1989	VSc
Aldbourne	SU226758	2004	JN
Aldbourne	SU230756	2004	ĴN
VC8			
Lower Westwood	ST809585	1995	DG

Rosa sty	losa Short-st	tyled Field	-rose

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

In a hedgerow.

Goldborough Farm, in three hedges.

Shaw Farm, along bridleway. Near Snap. One large shrub.

*R. stylosa* has been recorded in many parts of VC7, especially in the west. It is a tall, arching plant of woodland edges, scrub and hedgerows, especially on freely-draining calcareous soils. In VC8 it is scarce, and may be under-recorded, given the availability of suitable habitat there. The chalk between East Grimstead and Whiteparish supports most of the VC8 populations.

VC8				
Semley	ST8726	1987	BSBI	Whitebridge Farm.
Semley	ST8727	1987	BSBI	Whitebridge Farm.
Rowde	ST962617	1990	DG	Disused railtrack.
Patney	SU072591	1984	RFu	In small wood.
Pepperbox Hill	SU2024	1996	RV	
Pepperbox Hill	SU213248	2006	PMW & AAp	A few bushes on NT reserve.
Redlynch	SU223215	1994	RV	Near Wall Copse, footpath.
East Grimstead	SU229275	1994	RV	West side of water treatment plant.
Whiteparish	SU261256	1994	RV	In hedgerow.

#### Rosa tomentosa Harsh Downy-rose

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

*R. tomentosa* prefers heavy calcareous clay soil and is the most commonly encountered downy rose species in VC7, especially in the Chippenham area. However, it is very rare in VC8, with only one site found. Like the other *Rosa* species, it may be under-recorded.

VC8				
Earldoms	SU249219	1996	WBS	Close to junction with A36.

#### Rumex maritimus Golden Dock

R. maritimus was first seen at Coate Water near Swindon by J.D. Grose in 1944, and later noted to be present in at least three places in cattle-poached muddy margins. Its current status at Coate Water requires verification. It has not been recorded anywhere else in the county.

### VC7

Coate Water	SU181816	1984	DG	New lake, three sites.
Rumex pulcher Fiddl	e Dock			Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

R. pulcher is a common plant in coastal districts but in landlocked Wiltshire it has rarely been recorded. It is an occasional species in the villages close to Bradford on Avon, where it seems to prefer dry grasslands with some trampling or other light disturbance.

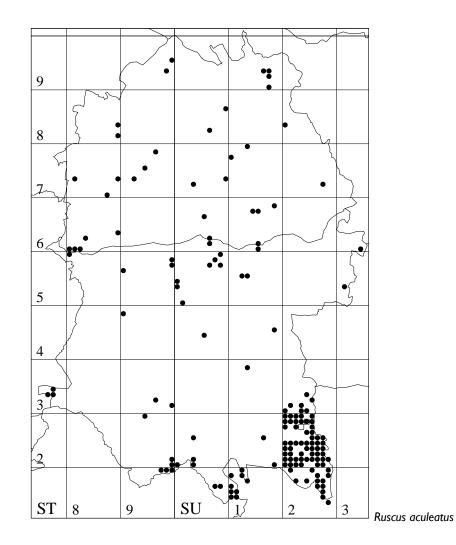
VC7 Winsley Avoncliff South Wraxall Sherston Corsham Coate Water	ST802612 ST804602 ST828647 ST856858 ST884703 SU181816	2003 1984 1984 1994 1989 1986	JP DG DG PDa & JWa DG DG	At edge of footpath. Field above village. In pasture. Steep limestone grassland. In field south-east of Corsham Lake.
<b>VC8</b> Ogbury Camp Charlton	SU1438 SU174248	1987 1984	PMo BCh & NCh	Rich ground near barns. Near water-meadows.

### Ruscus aculeatus Butcher's-broom

Listed on Annex Vb of the EC Habitats Directive

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

R. aculeatus is distributed over the whole county, although many of its sites are widely scattered, with a high concentration in SU22 in VC8. It is most characteristically found in the understorey of dry woods and in hedgerows, though it is sometimes also planted in parks and other urban situations.



## Sagina nodosa Knotted Pearlwort

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

S. nodosa has always been uncommon in the county although it is easily overlooked, and could be underrecorded. It has a curious distribution; in VC8 the population is centred on part of the DTE (SP) Bulford Ranges, where it occurs in gravelly disturbed and bare ground close to tracks. In VC7 it has only been recorded from the Braydon Forest / CWP area.

VC7				
Oaksey	SU010945	1984	DG	
Oaksey	SU0293	1984	SWh	
Ashton Keynes	SU039935	1984	DG	
CWP	SU062936	2006	WBS	
VC8				
DTE (SP)	ST903507	2006	PSk	Near White Horse Barn.
DTE (SP)	ST906494	2006	PSk	On track towards Imber Clump.
DTE (SP) East	SU195512	2002	JN	Bare ground nr Hounds Wood.
DTE (SP) East	SU197498	2005	SPi & LSn	A few plants beside track.
DTE (SP) East	SU198454	2006	JMo	Trackside, nr junction of tracks.
DTE (SP) East	SU198471	2006	SPi	Occasional in stony ground by track.
Sidbury Hill	SU215510	2006	ER	In earthwork on steep flinty slope.
Sidbury Hill	SU216507	2006	SPi	In gravel between track and fence.

A very small population of *S. pratensis* has been known from rank calcareous grassland on Salsibury Plain for many decades, and survives to the present day. All of the other known Wiltshire populations have been lost. A new site, thought to be native, has been recently found on the Porton Ranges, about 2km from a well known site in VC12 in Isle of Wight Woods. However, another new site discovered near Swindon in 2005 is considered to have originated from wildflower seed collected from abroad.

VC8				
DTE (SP)	ST929504	2006	SPi & JFo	Tenantry Down.
DTE (SP)	ST931504	2006	JPi	Tenantry Down.
Porton Ranges	SU233386	2006	PWi	Happy Valley. New site.

#### Salvia verbenaca Wild Clary

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

In VC7 S. verbenaca has always been a rare plant occurring in two small areas; near Bradford on Avon, and close to Alderton. In both places it is associated with oolitic limestone grassland. It is more frequent in VC8, especially in the Salisbury district where it can be found on dry roadside verges and chalky banks.

## VC7

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Turleigh	ST812605	2005	GY	In field, once a quarry.
Sherston	ST8485	1994	PDa	In limestone grassland by road.
Sherston	ST8585	1994	PDa & JWa	Top of limestone grassland slope.

#### Sambucus ebulus Dwarf Elder

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

There does not appear to be much of a pattern to the distribution of populations of *S. ebulus* in Wiltshire. It is capable of forming large and persistent stands where it is present, often on waysides and road-verges. At least one of its roadside populations is protected under Wiltshire County Council's Protected Roadverge Scheme.

VC7				
Shockerwick	ST810684	2005	JP	A4 roadside.
Slaughterford	ST839741	1984	DG	Long-established colony.
Slaughterford	ST840742	1985	DG	Manor Farm.
Chippenham	ST881725	1989	JHam	Stowell Farm, grass verge.
Poole Keynes	SU0094	1985	SWh	Two large clumps, by road, and lane.
Nine Elms	SU109864	1990	PDa	Edge of field.
Fresden Farm	SU225920	1989	MSt	Along roadside.
Ramsbury	SU288709	1984	BPh	Park Coppice, one plant.
VC8				
Edington	ST937535	2006	RDu & PSn	Clumps along the Erlestoke road.
Codford St. Mary	ST981401	1991	JEO	Semi-shaded bridleway.
Chitterne	ST983426	1989	JHow	On verge of the Codford road.
Winterbourne Stoke	SU075405	2000	BL	Large colony near chicken farm.

#### Sanguisorba officinalis Great Burnet

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S. officinalis is an uncommon but widespread species in parts of VC7, where it is particularly associated with hay meadows and other unimproved neutral grassland remnants in the Braydon Forest and CWP areas. There is only one known site in VC8, close to a disused railway railway line at Martinslade.

## VC8

Martinslade	ST959619	1988	BG	On south side of line.

## Scandix pecten-veneris Shepherd's-needle

IUCN Critically Endangered

Modern farming practices have eliminated S. pecten-veneris from much of its former range nationally. It is still occasionally found in Wiltshire farmland, especially on well-drained chalky land near Devizes and around the county border near Tidworth.

<b>VC7</b> Easton Down All Cannings West Stowell Ramsbury	SU068656 SU075628 SU124635 SU300738	994 2003 2005  99	PAn JMo SPri SKi	Arable field adjacent to Wansdyke. Near Cannings Cross Farm. W. Stowell Farm, oilseed rape crop. Witcha Cottage, garden weed.
<b>VC8</b> Newton Tony Cholderton Ludgershall Kimpton	SU2140 SU2242 SU269502 SU287577	2005 2004 2000 2000	DGr ABy SBr MWi	Garden weed, long-established. Weedy arable headland. Fringes of a large barley field. Cornfield west of Chute Causeway.

#### Scleranthus annuus Annual Knawel

**IUCN Endangered** 

S. annuus has always been a rare plant in the county, requiring relatively bare and dry ground. It has been recorded in cornfield margins and, occasionally, on waste ground.

<b>VC7</b> Savernake Forest	SU230644	1985	DG	Many plants in cornfield / sand-pit.
VC8				
Winterbourne Dauntsey	SU177344	1988	PMo	Waste ground by railway bridge.
Hamptworth	SU238196	1990	DJW	Home Farm.
Hamptworth	SU242198	1991	VWi	Pumpkin field.
Ludgershall	SU274552	1985	FPr	Near Rag Copse, edge of cornfield.
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## Scrophularia umbrosa Green Figwort

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

Native

VC7 Rare: VC8 Scarce

S. umbrosa has a long-known and extensive site in VC8 at Shalbourne, where it is plentiful on both sides of the stream and its associated watercress beds.

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

UKBAP species

Native VC7 not scarce: VC8 Rare

Manton	SU173686	1994	MPo	By River Kennet.
VC8				
Shalbourne	SU315635	2006	SPri	By lake in the garden of Mill House.
Shalbourne	SU317641	2006	SPri	Occasional along stream.
Shalbourne	SU321649	2006	SPri	Occasional along stream to bridge.

#### Silene gallica Small-flowered Catchfly

#### IUCN Endangered

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Archaeophyte VC7 Rare; VC8 Extinct UKBAP species

S. gallica is a species of well-drained, usually acidic and sandy soils, so it has never been a common plant here. It was recorded from a handful of sites in VC7 but most of these date from 1950 or earlier. There are no records after 1988. Its main locus of distribution in VC7 was the Bromham area, where soils are light and sandy. In VC8 it has not been recorded since 1969 and is considered to be extinct.

VC7				
Sandy Lane	ST966683	1988	ASa	Nuthills Farm, single plant only.

## Silene noctiflora Night-flowering Catchfly

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

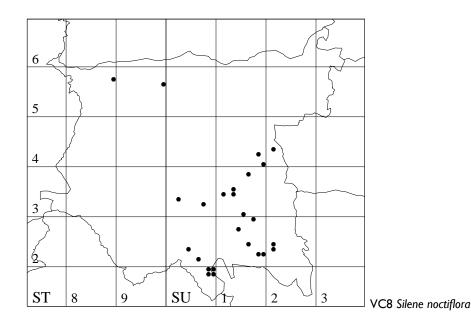
## IUCN Vulnerable

S. noctiflora is recorded occasionally on arable land in VC8; its main locus is on the light sandy and chalky soils of the Salisbury district. It has also been found occasionally on waste ground and other disturbed sites. The species has also been rarely recorded in VC7, although none of the records there are under 20 years old.

#### VC7

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Ford	ST837753	1985	DG	Cornfield above village.
Neston	ST8668	1986	CGr	Field of legumes.
Hullavington	ST889814	1987	Unknown	Disturbed ground / field.
Somerford Keynes	SU007953	1986	Unknown	Somerford Lakes, waste land.



The Wiltshire Flora regarded S. *marianum* as an introduction but all records have recently been treated as archaeophytes by Preston *et al* (2002). It has always been a rare plant here, typically being seen in rough grassland on road verges and close to farm buildings. A few records may be garden escapes.

<b>VC7</b> Monkton Farleigh Herton	ST8064 SU053647	1989 1986	MLa JLo	Hayes Wood Farm. Near Townsend Farm buildings.
<b>VC8</b> Seend Steeple Langford Berwick St. James	ST933605 SU037377 SU072389	1990 1985 1995	BHa BL BL	Roadbank near Cleeve House. Manor Farm, possible garden escape. At field edge.

#### Smyrnium olusatrum Alexanders

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

A former pot-herb, S. *olusatrum* achieves pest status in certain coastal districts, but it is a rare plant in Wiltshire where it has been found on road verges, beside footpaths and other disturbed places. In VC7, there is a concentration of records in the Marlborough area.

VC7				
Roundway	SU004643	1999	BG	Roundway Hill Covert, by path.
Lockeridge	SU149677	2006	JEO	Right of way and roadside.
Marlborough	SUI51674	2005	JEO	West Woods, roadside, spreading.
Clatford	SUI 58689	2006	JEO	Roadside and field border.
Clatford	SU160689	2003	JEO	Near A4. Spreading slowly.
Clatford	SU161690	2005	JEO	In grassland.
VC8				
Freshford	ST797602	2006	SPi	West side of canal, near bridge.
Devizes	SU004611	1994	PDa & TMu	Estcourt Hill.
Salisbury	SU1530	1995	Unknown	St. Marks Road.

# Solidago virgaurea Goldenrod

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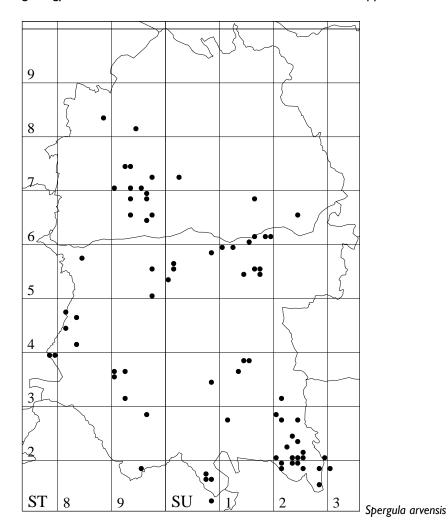
Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

In South Wiltshire S. *virgaurea* is a widespread species but is rare in VC7 because of the lack of suitable habitat. S. *virgaurea* is a species of free-draining, usually acidic soils in a wide variety of habitats. In VC7 most records have been made in the Savernake Forest and Luckington areas. All existing records need to be checked.

Alderton	ST8482	1984	DG
Hullavington	ST88583 I	1984	DG
Somerford Common	SU028867	1998	PDa & JEO
Wroughton	SU1680	1984	JEO
Marborough	SU2068	1984	SCI & JN
Savernake Forest	SU2366	1984	Unknown

# IUCN Vulnerable

S. *arvensis* is one of the suite of formerly common arable plants whose decline in recent decades have placed them on the red list. It is an annual typically found on light sandy farmland but also in waste ground and other disturbed habitats. It is widespread if not common in Wiltshire with most records corresponding to suitable geology. In the north most of the records come from the Chippenham area.



# Spergularia rubra Sand Spurrey

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

S. *rubra* is a diminutive herb typically found in a variety of open sunny habitats on sandy ground. In VC7 populations have been recorded mainly in the Spye Park area, whilst its locus in VC8 is in the New Forest.

VC7				
Spye Park	ST949680	1990	DG	
Spye Park	ST952679	1983	DG	Ploughed field left fallow.
Spye Park	ST964674	1984	DG	Greenland, on plateau.
Savernake Forest	SU214667	1995	JN	Felled area.

VCð				
Cranborne	SU0616	1996	RV	Martin Wood.
Whiteparish	SU246236	1996	PMW	Churchyard, on gravel path.
Plaitford Common	SU2616	1999	RV	Southern part of common.
Penn Common	SU272168	1999	RV	In short turf.
Furzley Common	SU286163	1991	RV	South-west part of common.
West Wellow Common	SU286182	1991	RV	
Canada Common	SU287176	1991	RV	North-west part of common.

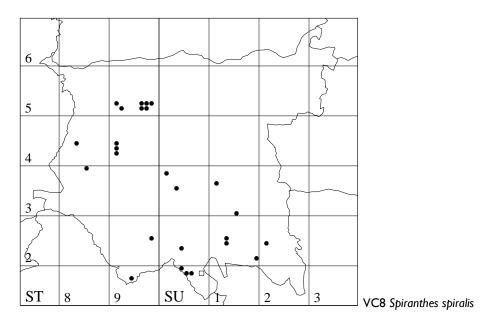
### Spiranthes spiralis Autumn Lady's-tresses

#### **IUCN Near Threatened**

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Considering the number of potentially suitable downland sites for this species in Wiltshire, it is surprisingly uncommon although 2005 saw an influx of new records. It is most frequent in VC8, where it prefers well-grazed, herb-rich dry calcareous grassland. S. *spiralis* has also been recorded from lawn turf. Numbers of flowering spikes can vary enormously from year to year.

VC7 Gilling Grove Gowlens Mill West Yatton Down King's Play Hill Kitchen Barrow Hill Avebury Milk Hill Walkers Hill Walkers Hill	ST833743 ST835790 ST860767 SU007657 SU066647 SU103702 SU104637 SU111629 SU114632	1985 1985 1987 1999 1985 1984 1985 1989 1984	ASa ASa HBe BG BG Unknown KPa KPa BHa	Near Juniper; eight spikes. On steep slope below longbarrow. One plant only. On west side bank at bottom of bill
Walkers Hill Walkers Hill Oare Hill High Clear Down	SUTT629 SUTT632 SUT69632 SU237765	1989 1984 2001 2004	KPa BHa IJ Gray JN	On west side bank at bottom of hill. Southern slopes.



Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

#### Stachys arvensis Field Woundwort

### IUCN Near Threatened

S. arvensis has always been an uncommon plant in the county, especially in VC7, where it appears to have been lost from most of its former sites. It prefers non-calcareous soils, and its main locus in VC8 is in the Whiteparish and Bentley Wood area. The only post-2000 record from VC7 comes from the greensand near Bromham.

<b>VC7</b> Sopworth Atworth Biddestone Sutton Benger Spye Park Bromham	ST818868 ST853665 ST8872 ST944789 ST965675 ST968648	1987 1984 1989 1987 1985 2005	Unknown DG JHa DHo DG WBS	Near Bull Park Wood. Field behind Collets Wood. Stowell Farm, near bridleway. On ridge above stream. Sandfield, adjacent to Roman road. Abundant on bank.
VC8 Fyfield Bavant Stoke Farthing South Allenford Rushall Redlynch Bohemia Pitton Newton Bentley Wood Bentley Wood Bentley Wood Canada West Wellow	SU016248 SU053254 SU077161 SU137554 SU207205 SU213196 SU216302 SU225224 SU225224 SU245279 SU257296 SU289183 SU297204	1992 1992 1986 2006 1990 2003 1999 2004 2001 1986 2002	JAc JAc JOu SHe DJW DJW & PMW DJW & PMW DJW & PMW PMW PWi RV RV	Near River Ebble. Near River Ebble. Farmland. Not refound in 1987. France Farm. Field N of the pottery. Milkhills Farm, in fodder maize field. Loosehanger Farm. Field edge north of Bigg's Copse. Moor Farm. Many plants. Cpt. 03: Draining Field. Cpt. 16e: Park Copse Oaks. Occasional weed in small-holding.

### Stellaria neglecta Greater Chickweed

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Rare

In VC8, S. *neglecta* is confined to the west, with most populations found close to Trowbridge and Bradford-on Avon, in damp, shady clay habitats.

VC0	
Trowbridge ST882577 1995 JP Green La	ane Wood.
Great Hinton ST903592 1991 BHa Under w	ater trough, N side of field.
Keevil ST922566 1991 BHa Airfield.	Edge of old runway.

#### Stellaria pallida Lesser Chickweed

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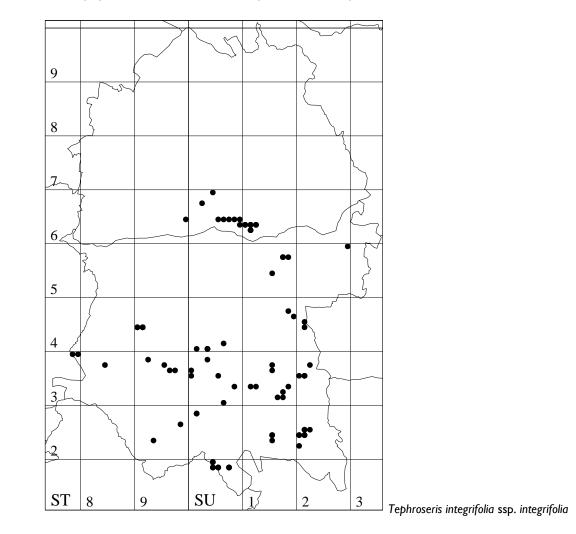
Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Rare

S. *pallida* is a diminutive, spring-flowering annual that is likely to have been overlooked. Only one site has been found, in VC8, and careful searches of open habitats on light, well-drained soils may provide more records.

VC8				
East Knoyle	ST873310	1997	DG	Windmill Hill.

### **Tephroseris integrifolia subsp. integrifolia Field Fleawort** Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered

*T. integrifolia* has its national stronghold in the county, where it is virtually confined to short, dry, species-rich chalk grassland. It often shows a preference for sunny banks including hillfort ramparts and other archaeological remains. In VC7 most populations are found on the downland north of Pewsey and Devizes, whilst it is more widespread in the south. Many records are now dated and need to be reconfirmed. The distribution map shows populations recorded at both species and sub-species level.

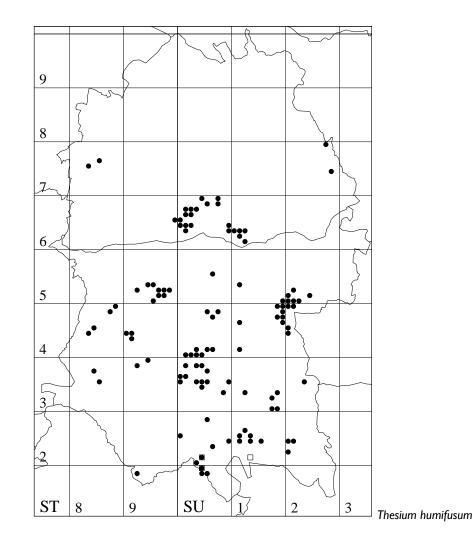


# Thesium humifusum Bastard-toadflax

Nationally Scarce

Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 not scarce

South Wiltshire is a national stronghold for *T. humifusum* which is locally frequent on old, unimproved chalk downland, usually in short, well-grazed turf. There are many populations in VC8, especially in the eastern ranges of DTE (SP). In the north, it is more rare and is mainly restricted to the downs north of Pewsey and Devizes. Most of its extant populations are now in SSSIs and other protected sites.



### **Torilis arvensis Spreading Hedge-parsley** Nationally Scarce IUCN Endangered

Archaeophyte VC7 *extinct*; VC8 Rare UKBAP species

*T. arvensis* has only been recorded from a handful of sites in VC8 and is absent from VC7. It is mainly a species of arable land, and occasionally other disturbed habitats. A small population has been well known from a road verge in Bratton for some years, where it is regularly monitored and managed. Elsewhere, it occasionally turns up in the Salisbury area but there have been no records from VC7 since 1950.

### VC8

Bratton	ST910525	2006
Coombe Bissett	SU108268	1986
Odstock	SU136232	2003

RDu & SPi CAn ADa 8 plants on road bank on corner.

## Torilis nodosa Knotted Hedge-parsley

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Rare

*T. nodosa* prefers sunny, dry, open habitats including sparsely vegetated clay banks. It has always been a very rare plant in the county, with one site in the south, and two in the north.

VC7 Bowden Hill Horton	ST932693 SU083667	985  99	JPa PWi	Near Tacklemore Wood; dry bank. Townsend Farm.
<b>VC8</b> Harnham	SU137293	1991	DJW	Water meadows.

### Trifolium arvense Hare's-foot Clover

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Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

*T. arvense* is likely to be scarce in Wiltshire because of a lack of suitable habitat. The species requires light, welldrained and often sandy soils in open habitats. In VC7 most populations have been recorded where the greensand outcrops near Bromham. In the south there is no clear pattern to the distribution, but many of the older records require confirmation.

VC7				
Sandridge	ST939649	1989	DG	
Westbrook	ST945654	1989	JRa	Prickmoor Wood, near footpath.
Derry Hill	ST958707	1988	DHo	Near Lansdown Arms.
Bowood Park	ST964697	1988	JWa	A few plants in pasture.
Minety	SU035906	1984	SWh	Dry railway sidings.
Swindon	SU142833	1990	PAn	Near hospital.
Okus	SU151830	1990	DAI	Sandy ground, railway embankment.

# Trifolium ornithopodioides Bird's-foot Clover

Native VC7 *absent*; VC8 Scarce

*T. ornithopodioides* is restricted to the New Forest area of VC8 where it prefers light, sandy and gravelly habitats, often beside paths and other trampled or disturbed ground.

VC8				
Bramshaw	SU269173	1991	VWi	Near Barford Farm.
Bramshaw	SU269158	1991	RV	
Canada Common	SU287177	2005	RV	In short turf near road.
Furzley	SU285164	2005	RV	Several plants on roadside verge.
Plaitford Common	SU271160	1991	RV	Near Bloodoaks Farm, Bramshaw.
Plaitford Common	SU269166	1991	RV	Near Bramshaw.
West Wellow Common	SU286182	1991	RV	

### Trifolium striatum Knotted Clover

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 Rare

*T. striatum* likes open, nutrient-poor communities associated with rocky outcrops, often on sandy soil. The current status of the sites in both vice-counties is unknown and requires verification.

VC7				
Sherston	ST852858	1986	DG	Rocky limestone, large numbers.
Sandridge	ST939649	1989	DG	In old sandpit.
Spye Park	ST955684	1994	DG	The Warren, on covered reservoir.
Compton Bassett	SU024727	1985	DG	Freeth Farm, sand pit.
Okus	SU142833	1986	DG	Short turf on scarp edge.

VC8				
Seend	ST937609	1988	DG	Ironstone quarry.
Bentley Wood	SU247295	1990	PMo	Chalk Pit Copse, by track.

## Trifolium subterraneum Subterranean Clover

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

There is only one record in VC8 for *T. subterraneum*, in the New Forest area. Inland, the species does occur in short, summer-parched calcareous grassland, so its absence elsewhere in VC8 is a bit surprising.

VC8			
Bramshaw	SU271159	1991	RV

# Typha angustifolia Lesser Bulrush

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

It is difficult to separate some of the native populations of *T. angustifolia* from those with introduced origins. It is a rare species in the county with widely scattered colonies in ponds and, to a lesser extent, flooded gravel pits. Only populations considered to be native have been listed below.

<b>VC7</b> Inwood CWP Lyneham	ST914675 SU011942 SU026807	988   984   984	DG DG DG	Lake.
<b>VC8</b> Trowbridge East Grimstead Plaitford Common Whiteparish	ST877543 SU220274 SU277189 SU258231	2004 2005 1989 1986	JN PWh GFo PWi	Clanger Wood, occasional. Brookmead, in large pond. Deep water near bridge by pylon. Cowesfield Manor, in a pond.

### Ulex gallii Western Gorse

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Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

*U. gallii* has only been recorded at one site in VC7, at Spye Park. It prefers nutrient-poor, often acidic soils, and is a little more widespread in VC8, especially in the Longleat and Teffont areas.

<b>VC7</b> Spye Park	ST961674	1994	DG	Patches in heathland.
VC8				
Stourton	ST7534	1995	DG	Near Convent Bottom.
Gare Hill	ST7739	1995	DG	
Longleat Estate	ST836427	1987	DG	Hart Hill, rides in plantation.
Longleat Estate	ST843434	2005	JFo	Redway Plain, west side of road.
Longleat Estate	ST844429	2005	JFo	Redway Gate, on bank beside track.
West Tisbury	ST909303	2003	VHo	Near Mockeny Wood, road verges.
Teffont	ST995319	1988	VHo	Hillside, Shire Horse Centre.
Teffont Magna	ST997320	1991	VHo	Near Wick Ball Camp.
Clarendon	SU198281	1989	Unknown	Heathy plantation.
Landford	SU259185	2006	WBS	WWT nature reserve.

*U. minor* is at the western limit of its national range in Wiltshire. It is a rare plant here, other than in the New Forest heaths and acid grassland in VC8. Both of the VC7 sites are in Savernake Forest.

# VC7

Savernake Forest	SU256655	1991	MHa	London Ride.
Savernake Forest	SU226648	2006	JN	Cheval Bottom, two clumps.

#### Utricularia minor Lesser Bladderwort

Native VC7 absent; VC8 Rare

Wiltshire lacks the wet oligotrophic mire habitats required by *U. minor*. However, it is occasional in the New Forest corner of VC8.

## VC8

Furzley Common	SU284157	1996	RV	
Furzley Common	SU286167	2005	DJW, PMW & RV	In wetter parts of Furzley Bog.

### Vaccinium myrtillus Bilberry

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

V. myrtillus has been recorded in only one place in VC7, in a clearing in Savernake Forest, where other heathy species are also present. In VC8, there are more populations and it is relatively common in the New Forest area.

## VC7

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Savernake Forest	SU229652	2000	JEO	Near Cheval Bottom, trackside.
Savernake Forest	SU233654	1988	JRa	In forest by footpath.

### Valerianella carinata Keeled-fruited Cornsalad

Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

V. carinata seems to be spreading across the county and is the dominant urban Valerianella in the west, including Trowbridge and Bradford on Avon. It is easily confused with V. locusta, and is likely to be under-recorded. It seeds into pavement cracks and waste ground.

VC/				
Winsley	ST798608	2003	JP	Locally abundant at base of walls.
Turleigh	ST812605	2006	GY	In meadow.
Bradford on Avon	ST825604	2005	SPi	Abundant in pavement-wall angles.
Bradford on Avon	ST830613	2006	SPi	Many plants in pavement-wall angles.
Rudloe	ST844703	2006	SPi	Beside gateway to house.
Reybridge	ST920692	1990	DG	Causeway.
CWP	SU014946	1988	SHa	Pit 55/A on dumped soil.
Woodborough	SUI 1360 I	2000	RGro	Wall near church.
Old Swindon	SU149836	1984	PAn	Near Goddard Avenue.

VC8				
Trowbridge	ST842566	2006	SPi	Gainsborough Rise, pavement crack.
Trowbridge	ST848571	2006	SPi	Frome Road.
Trowbridge	ST853572	2006	SPi	On north side of A361.
Chicksgrove	ST9628	1985	MMo	Quarry.
Woodford Green	SUI 28374	1984	PMo	On soil dump.
Odstock	SU149271	1987	JOu	Hospital, on cleared ground.
Winterbourne	SUI5I365	1984	PMo	High Post Hotel, in flower bed.
Whiteparish	SU242236	2005	DJW	Several plants, new in the area.

## Valerianella dentata Narrow-fruited Cornsalad

IUCN Endangered

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V. dentata has undoubtedly declined across the county although small populations can still be found in unsprayed arable margins and corners, often with other uncommon arable plants, especially on well-drained chalky soils in the Salisbury area. It has always been a rare plant in North Wiltshire, and there have been no new records in the past 20 years.

VC7			
Chippenham	ST8872	1984	JHa
Norton	ST888830	1984	DG
Marlborough	SUI 53674	1994	JEO
Badbury	SU2079	1984	ĴN
Woodsend	SU2376	1984	ĴΝ

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By road near West Woods.

VC8 Valerianella dentata

# Veronica agrestis Green Field-speedwell

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Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 Scarce

V. agrestis prefers arable fields, allotments and other disturbed habitats on well-drained acidic soils, so suitable habitat is in short supply in Wiltshire. In VC8 most of the sites are close to Salisbury whereas the species is more scattered in VC7.

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Archaeophyte VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

VC7				
Bromham	ST965650	1986	JN	Market gardens.
Bromham	ST966649	1988	RR	Market gardens.
Lydiard Millicent	SU093860	1990	PAn	Churchyard.
Overton Down	SU126712	1986	KPa	Arable field.
Okus	SU143832	1990	PAn	
Manton	SU166681	1988	MPo	Arable land.
VC8				
DTE (SP) Tilshead	SU022478	2006	SPi & HEt	In very species-rich game plot.
Etchilhampton	SU042606	1984	BG	Bare ground at gateway to field.
Rushall	SU117559	2006	SHe	France Farm, arable field.
Odstock	SU145275	1994	PAn	Near the hospital, in cornfield.
Whiteparish	SU217235	2003	JMar & AHar	Moor Farm.
West Wellow	SU2818	1987	RV	
West Wellow	SU297196	1997	RV	

## Veronica catenata Pink Water-speedwell

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Native VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

V. catenata tends to prefer the muddy edges of standing water, rivers, streams and canals. It is often found with V. anagallis-aquatica, but is more restricted in its habitats. It is common in VC7 but scarce in VC8, where it has been recorded in water-meadows, ponds and a winterbourne stream.

VC8				
Seend	ST924593	1985	Unknown	Savington Brook.
Bulkington	ST954584	1990	BHa	Near-dry pond.
Chilmark	ST971323	1987	DFo	
Winterbourne Stoke	SU072386	1999	NHo	River Till.
Winterbourne Stoke	SU077412	1999	NHo	River Till.
Harnham	SU1329	1994	DJW	Water meadows.
East Harnham	SU152286	1998	WBS	Water meadows.
Pewsey	SU165600	1991	JOu	River Avon, near bridge.

# Veronica scutellata Marsh Speedwell

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 not scarce

Most populations of *V. scutellata* have been recorded in the southern half of VC8, in wet grassland, marshes and beside ponds. In VC7, only one population is known from a pond near Wootton Bassett, but it is not known if this is still extant. *V. scutellata* seems to have declined from a number of former sites in Wiltshire.

VC7 Wootton Bassett	SU088804	1986	JFr	Goldborough Farm, edge of pond.
<b>Vicia bithynica Bith</b> Nationally Scarce IUCN Vulnerable	ynian Vetch			Native VC7 Rare; VC8 absent
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Until recently, V. bithynica had never been recorded in Wiltshire. An expanding population has now been recorded at one site in Swindon, where it is treated as dubiously native.

VC7				
Swindon	SU143832	2001	DG	Princess Margaret Hospital.

V. sylvatica prefers clearings and woodland edges, often favouring coppiced woodlands. In VC7 it is not infrequent, especially in woodlands close to Marlborough. In VC8 it has only been recorded in two woodlands, near Devizes and Tidworth respectively.

# VC8

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Stert	SU023596	1986	RFu	Under beech tree by stream.
Collingbourne Wood	SU269519	2006	RAi	Beside main track.
Collingbourne Wood	SU284524	2002	JMo	West of track through beech trees.

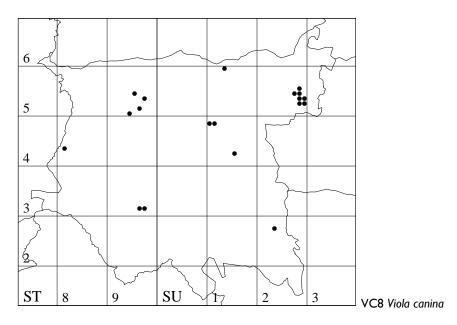
# Viola canina Heath Dog-violet

Native VC7 Scarce; VC8 not scarce

### IUCN Near Threatened

V. canina has declined from many sites in recent decades; it is typically found in heaths, woodland clearings and acid grassland. Small concentrations are associated with the extensive woodland blocks of Savernake Forest, Stockton Wood and Collingbourne Wood.

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Ca	Ine	ST9671	1984	EOa & SHa	
Ca	Ine	ST974702	1984	DG	
Sor	merford Common	SU030870	1995	DG	Roadside.
Pur	ton	SU075868	1984	DG	
Hu	ish	SU1464	1984	Unknown	
Sav	ernake Forest	SU208666	2002	JN	Cadley churchyard.
Sav	ernake Forest	SU212670	2006	JN	Two plants by wet pathway.
Sav	ernake Forest	SU215658	2005	JN	Forest ride.
Ma	rlborough	SU2264	1984	ASu	
Gr	eat Bedwyn	SU276658	2006	JN	Chisbury Wood, newly cleared area.



# Viola palustris Marsh Violet

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

Most populations of V. palustris in VC8 are associated with wet habitats in the New Forest area. In VC7, it has

only been recorded at Spye Park, but may well be present in suitable habitats elsewhere. V. *palustris* is characteristic of bogs, wet heaths and marshes.

<b>VC7</b> Spye Park	ST949679	1985	DG	Under alder, refind of old record.
VC8				
Stourton	ST7533	1985	FRo	In woods.
Semley	ST899257	1987	NCC	Gutch Common.
Plaitford Common	SU269177	1991	RV	
Plaitford Common	SU277188	1991	RV	
Plaitford Common	SU277192	1991	RV	
West Wellow Common	SU282188	1989	VWi	
Plaitford Common	SU282190	1991	RV	
Furzley Common	SU286167	2005	RV	

# Viola tricolor Wild Pansy

Native VC7 Rare; VC8 Scarce

## IUCN Near Threatened

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V. tricolor prefers open sandy habitats, acidic grassland and disturbed ground. It has always been a rare plant in both vice-counties, typically occurring in disturbed ground. Most sites were found in the 1980s and require confirmation.

VC/				
Hullavington	ST903828	1989	MCr	
CWP	SU017936	1987	SWh	Rough ground.
Little Bedwyn	SU264681	1990	JN	Near Golden Arrow Garage.
VC8				
Westwood	ST801594	1989	Unknown	In nursery beds.
Semley	ST890256	1987	JDo	
Charlton	SU151237	2006	ABy & DPr	Field south-east of Clearbury Down.
Bentley Wood	SU238290	1983	PMW	Cpt.21: Forestry Houses.
West Wellow	SU2818	1987	RV	

## Vulpia myuros Rat's-tail Fescue

Archaeophyte VC7 not scarce; VC8 Scarce

V. myuros shares many of the same man-made habitats as V. bromoides and is especially characteristic of brownfield sites and railway land. It is much more common in VC7 whilst populations in VC8 are widely scattered.

VC8				
Trowbridge	ST840583	1983	DG	Near the station.
Trowbridge	ST841576	2006	SPi	Brook Road, kerb cracks.
Trowbridge	ST853572	2006	SPi	Beside road in wall-pavement angles.
Semley	ST887272	1987	JN	
Seend	ST938610	1988	BG	Ironstone quarry.
Patney	SU067591	1988	JPa	Path by railway.
Berwick St. James	SU072395	1999	BL	Crack in paving.
Bemerton	SU123308	1985	JHa	Old railway line, site now destroyed.

# Wahlenbergia hederacea Ivy-leaved Bellflower

# IUCN Near Threatened

Only one site for W. *hederacea* has been recorded, in VC8. It is a species of damp or wet open habitats on acidic soils.

# VC8

Furzley Common	SU283155	2005	RV	Many plants in cleared wet ground.
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#### APPENDIX I

#### VERNACULAR NAMES

Alexanders Allseed Alternate-leaved Goldensaxifrage Angular Solomon's-seal Annual Knawel Autumn Lady's-tresses Autumnal Waterstarwort Barberry Basil Thyme Bastard Balm Bastard-toadflax Bifid Hemp-nettle Bilberry Bird's-foot Bird's-foot Clover Bird's-nest Orchid Blinks **Blue Pimpernel** 

Blunt-flowered Rush Blunt-leaved Pondweed **Bog Pimpernel** Bogbean Bottle Sedge Brittle Bladder-fern Broad-leaved Spurge Brown Beak-sedge Buck's-horn Plantain **Bulbous Rush** Burnt Orchid Butcher's-broom Cat-mint Chamomile Chiltern Gentian Climbing Corydalis Common Cottongrass Common Cow-wheat Common Cudweed Common Juniper

Common Rampingfumitory Common Wintergreen Corn Buttercup Corn Chamomile Corn Marigold Corn Parsley Corn Spurrey Cornfield Knotgrass Cornflower Cotton Thistle Creeping Forget-me-not Cut-leaved Dead-nettle Cyperus Sedge Deadly Nightshade Dense-flowered Fumitory Deptford Pink Distant Sedge

Smyrnium olusatrum Radiola linoides Chrysosplenium alternifolium

Polygonatum odoratum Scleranthus annuus Spiranthes spiralis Callitriche hermaphroditica

Berberis vulgaris Clinopodium acinos Melittis melissophyllum Thesium humifusum Galeopsis bifida Vaccinium myrtillus Ornithopus perpusillus Trifolium ornithopodioides Neottia nidus-avis Montia fontana Anagallis arvensis ssp. foemina Juncus subnodulosus Potamogeton obtusifolius Anagallis tenella Menyanthes trifoliata Carex rostrata Cystopteris fragilis Euphorbia platyphyllos Rhynchospora fusca Plantago coronopus Juncus bulbosus Orchis ustulata Ruscus aculeatus Nepeta cataria Chamaemelum nobile Gentianella germanica Ceratocapnos claviculata Eriophorum angustifolium Melampyrum pratense Filago vulgaris Juniperus communis ssp. communis Fumaria muralis

Pyrola minor Ranunculus arvensis Anthemis arvensis Chrysanthemum segetum Petroselinum segetum Spergula arvensis Polygonum rurivagum Centaurea cyanus Onopordum acanthium Myosotis secunda Lamium hybridum Carex pseudocyperus Atropa belladonna Fumaria densiflora

Dianthus armeria Carex distans Downy-fruited Sedge Dwarf Elder Dwarf Gorse Dwarf Mouse-ear Dwarf Sedge Dwarf Spurge Early Gentian Early Marsh-orchid Elecampane Eyebright Eyebright Eat Duckweed

Dodder

Fat Duckweed Fennel Few-flowered Spike-rush Fiddle Dock Field Cow-wheat Field Fleawort

Field Garlic Field Gromwell Field Woundwort Fine-leaved Fumitory **Fine-leaved Sandwort** Fine-leaved Sheep'sfescue Fine-leaved Waterdropwort **Fingered Sedge** Flat-sedge Flat-stalked Pondweed Flattened Meadow-grass Flea Sedge Floating Club-rush Fly Orchid French Oat-grass Fritillary Frog Orchid Garden Asparagus

Glabrous Whitlowgrass Golden Dock Goldenrod Good-King-Henry Great Burnet Great Lettuce Great Wood-rush Great Yellow-cress Greater Butterfly-orchid Greater Chickweed Greater Dodder Green Field-speedwell Green Figwort Green-flowered Helleborine Green-ribbed Sedge Green-winged Orchid Hairlike Pondweed Hairy Buttercup

Cuscuta epithymum Carex filiformis Sambucus ebulus Ulex minor Cerastium pumilum Carex humilis Euphorbia exigua Gentianella anglica Dactylorhiza incarnata ssp. *pulchella* Ophrys sphegodes Inula helenium Euphrasia anglica Euphrasia pseudokerneri Lemna gibba Foeniculum vulgare Eleocharis quinqueflora Rumex pulcher Melampyrum arvense Tephroseris integrifolia ssp. integrifolia Allium oleraceum Lithospermum arvense Stachys arvensis Fumaria parviflora Minuartia hybrida Festuca filiformis

Oenanthe aquatica

Carex digitata Blysmus compressus Potamogeton friesii Poa compressa Carex pulicaris Eleogiton fluitans Ophrys insectifera Gaudinia fragilis Fritillaria meleagris Coeloglossum viride Asparagus officinalis ssp. officinalis Erophila glabrescens Rumex maritimus Solidago virgaurea Chenopodium bonus-henricus Sanguisorba officinalis Lactuca virosa Luzula sylvatica Rorippa amphibia Platanthera chlorantha Stellaria neglecta Cuscuta europaea Veronica agrestis Scrophularia umbrosa Epipactis phyllanthes

Carex binervis Orchis morio Potamogeton trichoides Ranunculus sardous

Hard-fern Hare's-foot Clover Harsh Downy-rose Hay-scented Buckler-fern Heath Cudweed Heath Dog-violet Heath Milkwort Henbane Hound's-tongue Intermediate Waterstarwort lvy-leaved Bellflower Keeled-fruited Cornsalad Knotted Clover Knotted Hedge-parsley Knotted Pearlwort Lady's-mantle, a

Large Bitter-cress Leafy Rush Lesser Bladderwort Lesser Bulrush Lesser Butterfly-orchid Lesser Chickweed Lesser Marshwort Lesser Quaking-grass Little Mouse-ear Loddon Pondweed Long-headed Poppy Long-stalked Yellowsedge Loose Silky-bent Lousewort Maiden Pink Man Orchid Maple-leaved Goosefoot Marsh Cinquefoil Marsh Clubmoss Marsh Helleborine Marsh Lousewort Marsh Pennywort Marsh Speedwell Marsh St John's-wort Marsh Violet Marsh Willowherb Mat-grass Meadow Brome Meadow Clary Meadow Saffron Milk Thistle Monk's-hood

Moonwort Mountain Everlasting Mousetail Musk Orchid Narrow-fruited Cornsalad Narrow-fruited Watercress Narrow-leaved Bird'sfoot-trefoil Narrow-leaved Blechnum spicant Trifolium arvense Rosa tomentosa Dryopteris aemula Gnaphalium sylvaticum Viola canina Polygala serpyllifolia Hyoscyamus niger Cynoglossum officinale Callitriche hamulata

Wahlenbergia hederacea Valerianella carinata Trifolium striatum Torilis nodosa Sagina nodosa Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita Cardamine amara Juncus foliosus Utricularia minor Typha angustifolia Platanthera bifolia Stellaria pallida Abium inundatum Briza minor Cerastium semidecandrum Potamogeton nodosus Papaver dubium ssp. lecoqii Carex viridula ssp. brachyrrhyncha Apera spica-venti Pedicularis svlvatica Dianthus deltoides Aceras anthropophorum Chenopodium hybridum Potentilla palustris Lycopodiella inundata Epipactis palustris Pedicularis palustris Hydrocotyle vulgaris Veronica scutellata Hypericum elodes Viola palustris Epilobium palustre Nardus stricta Bromus commutatus Salvia pratensis Colchicum autumnale Silybum marianum Aconitum napellus ssp. napellus Botrychium Iunaria Antennaria dioica Myosurus minimus Herminium monorchis Valerianella dentata Rorippa microphylla Lotus glaber

Lathyrus sylvestris

Everlasting-pea Narrow-leaved Meadowgrass Narrow-leaved Pepperwort Narrow-leaved Waterplantain Narrow-lipped Helleborine Needle Spike-rush Nettle-leaved Goosefoot Night-flowering Catchfly Nodding Bur-marigold Opposite-leaved Pondweed Orange Foxtail Pale Butterwort Pale Flax Pale Sedge Pale Toadflax Parsley Water-dropwort Pedunculate Waterstarwort Pennyroyal Perennial Wall-rocket Perfoliate Pondweed Petty Whin Pheasant's-eye Pillwort Pink Water-speedwell Pond Water-crowfoot Prickly Poppy **Prickly Sedge** 

Purple Milk-vetch Purple Moor-grass Rat's-tail Fescue Red Hemp-nettle River Water-crowfoot River Water-dropwort Rough Poppy **Round-fruited Rush** Round-headed Rampion Round-leaved Crowfoot Round-leaved Dog-rose Royal Fern Rye Brome Sainfoin Sand Spurrey Sea Club-rush Sea Mouse-ear Sheep's-bit Shepherd's-needle Sherard's Downy-rose Short-styled Field-rose Silver Hair-grass Slender Bedstraw Slender Marsh-bedstraw Slender Parsley-piert Slender Spike-rush Slender Tufted-sedge Small Fleabane Small Pondweed

Poa angustifolia

Lepidium ruderale

Alisma lanceolatum

Epipactis leptochila

Eleocharis acicularis Chenopodium murale Silene noctiflora Bidens cernua Groenlandia densa

Alopecurus aequalis Pinguicula lusitanica Linum bienne Carex pallescens Linaria repens Oenanthe lachenalii Callitriche brutia

Mentha pulegium Diplotaxis tenuifolia Potamogeton perfoliatus Genista anglica Adonis annua Pilularia globulifera Veronica catenata Ranunculus peltatus Papaver argemone Carex muricata ssp. lamprocarpa Astragalus danicus Molinia caerulea Vulpia myuros Galeopsis angustifolia Ranunculus fluitans Oenanthe fluviatilis Papaver hybridum Juncus compressus Phyteuma orbiculare Ranunculus omiophyllus Rosa obtusifolia Osmunda regalis Bromus secalinus Onobrychis viciifolia Spergularia rubra Bolboschoenus maritimus Cerastium diffusum Jasione montana Scandix pecten-veneris Rosa sherardii Rosa stylosa Aira caryophyllea Galium pumilum Galium constrictum Aphanes australis Eleocharis uniglumis Carex acuta Pulicaria vulgaris Potamogeton berchtoldii

Small Water-pepper Small-flowered Buttercup Small-flowered Catchfly Small-flowered Sweetbriar Small-fruited Yellowsedge Small-leaved Sweet-briar Smith's Pepperwort Smooth Brome Smooth-stalked Sedge Soft Downy-rose Spear-leaved Willowherb Spiked Star-of-Bethlehem Spotted Medick Spreading Bellflower Spreading Hedge-parsley Spreading Meadow-grass Star Sedge Stinking Hellebore Subterranean Clover Summer Snowflake Sweet-briar Tall Ramping-fumitory Tawny Sedge Thread-leaved Watercrowfoot Tower Mustard Trailing Tormentil Treacle-mustard

Persicaria minor Ranunculus parviflorus Silene gallica Rosa micrantha

Carex viridula ssp. viridula

Rosa agrestis Lepidium heterophyllum Bromus racemosus Carex laevigata Rosa mollis Epilobium lanceolatum Ornithogalum pyrenaicum Medicago arabica Campanula patula Torilis arvensis Poa humilis Carex echinata Helleborus foetidus Trifolium subterraneum Leucojum aestivum Rosa rubiginosa Fumaria bastardii Carex hostiana Ranunculus trichophyllus

Arabis glabra Potentilla anglica Erysimum cheiranthoides **Tuberous Thistle** Tuberous Thistle x Dwarf Thistle Tubular Water-dropwort Tutsan Upright Chickweed Various-leaved Waterstarwort Vicia bithynica Violet Helleborine Wall Whitlowgrass Weasel's-snout Western Gorse White Helleborine White Sedge Whorl-grass Wild Candytuft Wild Celery Wild Clary Wild Liquorice Wild Pansy Woad Wood Horsetail Wood Vetch Wormwood Yellow Bird's-nest Yellow Star-of-Bethlehem Yellow Vetchling

Cirsium tuberosum Cirsium x medium

Oenanthe fistulosa Hypericum androsaemum Moenchia erecta Callitriche platycarpa

Vicia bithynica Epipactis purpurata Draba muralis Misopates orontium Ulex gallii Cephalanthera damasonium Carex curta Catabrosa aquatica Iberis amara Apium graveolens Salvia verbenaca Astragalus glycyphyllos Viola tricolor Isatis tinctoria Equisetum sylvaticum Vicia sylvatica Artemisia absinthium Monotropa hypopitys Gagea lutea Lathyrus aphaca

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# APPENDIX III EXTINCT SPECIES

These species used to be known from either VC7 or 8 but there have been no recent VC records (other than as casuals) since 1975, or earlier, so they are tentatively considered to be extinct here.

#### Agrostemma githago

This species is now considered to be extinct in Britain. It used to be widespread on arable land in southern and eastern England including Wiltshire. Occasional appearances are now attributed either to excavation of deeplyburied seed or to deliberate introductions.

#### Bromus interruptus

This endemic arable field species is now considered to be extinct country-wide. There are two former sites in VC7 and three in VC8, although the dates of some of the records appear to be incorrect. The last certain record may have been in 1929 at Aldbourne SU2376.

#### Carex depauperata

Long gone from VC8, this sedge was formerly known from one site between Damerham and Cranborne. It was last recorded in 1920.

#### Carex vulpina

Dr R.C.A Prior noted *Carex vulpina* near Corsham ST 8670 at its only station in Wiltshire (VC7) in 1840. There are no recent records.

#### Cephalanthera longifolia

This species used to occur in two sites in VC8. It was last recorded at Whiteparish Hill SU22 in 1885. It was also known from Winterbourne Down SU23, but has not been recorded since 1958.

#### Galium tricornutum

This formerly widespread arable plant was first recorded in Wiltshire in 1833, but has not been seen since 1968.

#### Valerianella rimosa

A few records of this species were made between 1945 and 1958 in both vice-counties. A new site was reported in 1983 at Whiteparish Quarry, but the record was not confirmed, and the skill of the recorder is unknown. It is currently considered to be extinct in both VCs.

# APPENDIX IV QUESTIONABLE SPECIES AND RECORDS

This table lists species of plant that have been recorded in VC7 and/or VC8, but which, for various reasons, are not considered to be native in the region. These have not been included in the Register although they may fulfil other criteria of rarity or threat.

Anthriscus caucalis	Two records in VC8, probably casual. Considered to be an introduction by the authors of the 1993 Wiltshire flora.	
Campanula latifolia	Rare in both VCs, believed to be an introduction by the authors of the 1993 flora.	
Campanula rapunculus	VC7. One record, unconfirmed.	
Cladium mariscus	Two sites in the Cotswold Water Park (VC7). Both are considered to be introductions dating back to 1980s.	
Crataegus laevigata	Omitted for VC8. Both records are probably of planted stock.	
Daphne mezereum	Large well-established population, but almost certainly originally introduced to Wiltshire.	
Descurainia sophia	Introduced to VC8 1991, not persisting.	
Empetrum nigrum	Recorded at one site, likely to be in error. Nearest known populations many miles away.	
Frangula alnus	One record of this species, in atypical habitat, VC7. Unconfirmed. Widespread in VC8.	
Galeopsis speciosa	One record, 1991, near Salisbury VC8. Considered to be a casual.	
Hydrocharis morsus-ranae	Wild populations not known from Wiltshire. Introduced ornamental.	
Myriophyllum alterniflorum	Only recorded population occurs in an artificial lake - likely to have been introduced.	
Myriophyllum verticillatum	One record from Kennet & Avon Canal - identity unconfirmed and likely to be erroneous.	
Parentucellia viscosa	Introduced to Wiltshire.	
Pimpinella major	One site, at Worton VC8 in 1989, over 100km from nearest known native populations. Record not confirmed.	
Potentilla argentea	Probably introduced to Wiltshire.	
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Known from a few plants at Martin Down NNR since 1983. This site is a long way from other populations and it is likely that it may have been planted there.	
Vicia parviflora	Almost certainly introduced in Wiltshire.	

## Internationally Rare

Gentianella anglica<sup>2</sup> Ruscus aculeatus<sup>3</sup>

### **Nationally Rare**

Adonis annua Arabis glabra Carex filiformis Centaurea cyanus Cirsium tuberosum Galium constrictum

#### **Nationally Scarce**

Aceras anthropophorum Aconitum napellus ssp. napellus Anagallis arvensis ssp. foemina Briza minor Bromus secalinus Campanula patula Carex digitata Carex humilis Cerastium pumilum Cuscuta europaea Dianthus armeria Dianthus deltoides Draba muralis Epipactis leptochila Epipactis phyllanthes Euphrasia pseudokerneri Fritillaria meleagris Fumaria parviflora Gaudinia fragilis Gentianella anglica Gentianella germanica Helleborus foetidus

### **Critically Endangered**

Galeopsis angustifolia Pulicaria vulgaris Ranunculus arvensis Scandix pecten-veneris Galium pumilum Melampyrum arvense Mentha pulegium Potamogeton nodosus Pulicaria vulgaris

Herminium monorchis Iberis amara Isatis tinctoria Lathyrus aphaca Leucojum aestivum Lycopodiella inundata Melittis melissophyllum Minuartia hybrida Ophrys sphegodes Orchis ustulata Ornithogalum pyrenaicum Phyteuma orbiculare Pilularia globulifera Polygonatum odoratum Rhynchospora fusca Rosa agrestis Rosa obtusifolia Salvia pratensis Tephroseris integrifolia ssp. integrifolia Thesium humifusum **Torilis** arvensis Vicia bithynica

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EC Habitats Directive Annex IIb, IVb, Bern Convention Appendix I and Conservation (Natural Habitats & c.) Regulations 1994 Schedule 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EC Habitats Directive Annex Vb

## Endangered

Aceras anthropophorum Adonis annua Anthemis arvensis Arabis glabra Astragalus danicus Campanula patula Dianthus armeria Euphrasia anglica Euphrasia pseudokerneri Galium pumilum Gnaphalium sylvaticum

### Vulnerable

Allium oleraceum Blysmus compressus Bromus secalinus Cephalanthera damasonium Chamaemelum nobile Chenopodium bonus-henricus Chenopodium murale Chrysanthemum segetum Clinopodium acinos Coeloglossum viride Cuscuta epithymum Fritillaria meleagris Fumaria parviflora Groenlandia densa Herminium monorchis

# Near Threatened

Apera spica-venti Cerastium pumilum Cirsium tuberosum Colchicum autumnale Cynoglossum officinale Dianthus deltoides Euphorbia exigua Filago vulgaris Genista anglica Juncus compressus Neottia nidus-avis Onobrychis viciifolia Lithospermum arvense Lycopodiella inundata Mentha pulegium Minuartia hybrida Monotropa hypopitys Orchis ustulata Scleranthus annuus Silene gallica Tephroseris integrifolia ssp. integrifolia Torilis arvensis Valerianella dentata

Hyoscyamus niger Iberis amara Lathyrus aphaca Melittis melissophyllum Misopates orontium Myosurus minimus Nepeta cataria Oenanthe fistulosa Ophrys insectifera Papaver argemone Persicaria minor Platanthera bifolia Potamogeton nodosus Spergula arvensis Vicia bithynica

Orchis morio Pilularia globulifera Platanthera chlorantha Potamogeton friesii Radiola linoides Rosa agrestis Salvia pratensis Spiranthes spiralis Stachys arvensis Viola canina Viola tricolor Wahlenbergia hederacea

# **UK BAP Priority Species**

Arabis glabra Centaurea cyanus Dianthus armeria Galeopsis angustifolia Gentianella anglica Juniperus communis ssp. communis

Lycopodiella inundata Mentha pulegium Pilularia globulifera Scandix pecten-veneris Silene gallica Torilis arvensis

#### Endemic / near-endemic

Euphrasia anglica Euphrasia pseudokerneri

# Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8

Dianthus armeria Gentianella anglica Melampyrum arvense Mentha pulegium Ophrys sphegodes Pulicaria vulgaris Salvia pratensis

# VC7 Rare

Adonis annua Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita Allium oleraceum Alopecurus aequalis Anagallis arvensis ssp. foemina Aphanes australis Apium inundatum Arabis glabra Asparagus officinalis ssp. officinalis Bolboschoenus maritimus Botrychium Iunaria Bromus secalinus Callitriche hamulata Campanula patula Cardamine amara Carex binervis Carex digitata Carex echinata Carex humilis Carex laevigata Carex muricata ssp. lamprocarpa Carex rostrata Carex viridula ssp. viridula Cerastium diffusum Cerastium pumilum Cerastium semidecandrum Ceratocapnos claviculata Chenopodium hybridum Chrysosplenium alternifolium

Cirsium tuberosum Dactylorhiza incarnata ssp. Dulchella Dianthus armeria Diplotaxis tenuifolia Draba muralis Eleocharis quinqueflora Epilobium lanceolatum Epipactis palustris Eriophorum angustifolium Euphorbia platyphyllos Euphrasia pseudokerneri Filago vulgaris Fumaria densiflora Fumaria muralis Galeopsis angustifolia Gnaphalium sylvaticum Herminium monorchis Hypericum elodes Inula helenium Juncus compressus Lactuca virosa Lamium hybridum Lathyrus aphaca Lepidium ruderale Leucojum aestivum Linum bienne Lotus glaber Melampyrum arvense Misopates orontium Monotropa hypopitys

Montia fontana Nardus stricta Osmunda regalis Papaver hybridum Plantago coronopus Poa angustifolia Poa humilis Potamogeton nodosus Potentilla anglica Ranunculus fluitans Ranunculus omiophyllus Rosa mollis Rosa obtusifolia Rosa rubiginosa Rumex maritimus Salvia verbenaca Scleranthus annuus Scrophularia umbrosa Silene gallica Silybum marianum Torilis nodosa Typha angustifolia Ulex gallii Ulex minor Vaccinium myrtillus Veronica scutellata Vicia bithynica Viola palustris Viola tricolor

### VC7 Scarce

Aira caryophyllea Alisma lanceolatum Anagallis tenella Apera spica-venti Artemisia absinthium Astragalus glycyphyllos Atropa belladonna **Bidens** cernua Blechnum spicant Blysmus compressus Callitriche platycarpa Carex acuta Carex filiformis Carex hostiana Carex pallescens Carex pulicaris Carex viridula ssp. brachyrrhyncha Catabrosa aquatica Centaurea cyanus Cirsium x medium Cuscuta europaea Cystopteris fragilis Eleocharis uniglumis Epilobium palustre Epipactis phyllanthes Erysimum cheiranthoides

# VC8 Rare

Aceras anthropophorum Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita Anagallis arvensis ssp. foemina Antennaria dioica Apium graveolens Artemisia absinthium Asparagus officinalis ssp. officinalis Botrychium Iunaria Briza minor Bromus racemosus Bromus secalinus Callitriche hermaphroditica Carex acuta Carex distans Carex hostiana Carex pseudocyperus Carex pulicaris Carex viridula ssp. brachyrrhyncha Carex viridula ssp. viridula Cerastium diffusum Cerastium pumilum Chenopodium murale Chrysosplenium alternifolium

Foeniculum vulgare Groenlandia densa Helleborus foetidus Hydrocotyle vulgaris Hyoscyamus niger Hypericum androsaemum Juncus bulbosus Juncus subnodulosus Juniperus communis ssp. communis Lathyrus sylvestris Lemna gibba Linaria repens Luzula sylvatica Medicago arabica Melampyrum pratense Menvanthes trifoliata Molinia caerulea Myosotis secunda Neottia nidus-avis Nepeta cataria Oenanthe fluviatilis Oenanthe lachenalii Ophrys insectifera Orchis ustulata Ornithopus perpusillus Papaver argemone

Cuscuta europaea Cystopteris fragilis Dianthus armeria Dianthus deltoides Diplotaxis tenuifolia Draba muralis Dryopteris aemula **Eleocharis** acicularis Eleocharis guingueflora Eleocharis uniglumis Epilobium lanceolatum **Epipactis** leptochila Epipactis purpurata Equisetum sylvaticum Erophila glabrescens Euphrasia anglica Filago vulgaris Foeniculum vulgare Fumaria bastardii Gagea lutea Galium constrictum Galium pumilum Gaudinia fragilis Gentianella germanica Gnaphalium sylvaticum

Pedicularis sylvatica Petroselinum segetum Polygala serpyllifolia Polygonatum odoratum Polygonum rurivagum Potamogeton perfoliatus Potamogeton trichoides Ranunculus arvensis Ranunculus peltatus Rorippa microphylla Rosa micrantha Rosa sherardii Rumex pulcher Sagina nodosa Sambucus ebulus Scandix pecten-veneris Silene noctiflora Smyrnium olusatrum Solidago virgaurea Spergularia rubra Stachys arvensis Trifolium arvense Trifolium striatum Valerianella carinata Valerianella dentata Veronica agrestis Viola canina

Groenlandia densa Herminium monorchis Iberis amara Isatis tinctoria lasione montana Lactuca virosa Lemna gibba Lepidium ruderale Linaria repens Melittis melissophyllum Mentha pulegium Oenanthe aquatica Ophrys sphegodes Osmunda regalis Pedicularis palustris Pilularia globulifera Poa compressa Potamogeton friesii Potamogeton nodosus Potamogeton obtusifolius Potamogeton trichoides Potentilla anglica Potentilla palustris Pyrola minor Ranunculus parviflorus

Ranunculus sardous Rhynchospora fusca Rorippa amphibia Rorippa microphylla Rosa sherardii Rosa tomentosa Rumex pulcher

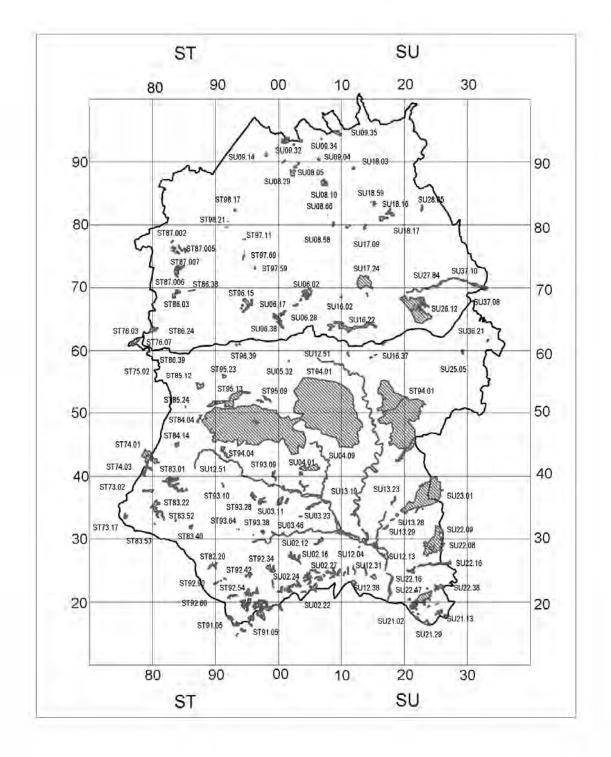
## VC8 Scarce

Aira caryophyllea Anthemis arvensis Apera spica-venti Apium inundatum Astragalus danicus Astragalus glycyphyllos Berberis vulgaris Bromus commutatus Callitriche brutia Carex curta Carex muricata ssp. lamprocarpa Carex rostrata Catabrosa aquatica Cerastium semidecandrum Ceratocapnos claviculata Eleogiton fluitans Erysimum cheiranthoides Euphrasia pseudokerneri Festuca filiformis Fumaria muralis Fumaria parviflora Galeopsis bifida Genista anglica Hyoscyamus niger Juncus foliosus Lathyrus aphaca Lepidium heterophyllum Leucojum aestivum Linum bienne Lycopodiella inundata Misopates orontium Moenchia erecta Monotropa hypopitys Myosurus minimus Nardus stricta Oenanthe fluviatilis Onopordum acanthium Ornithopus perpusillus Papaver dubium ssp. lecogii Persicaria minor Phyteuma orbiculare Pinguicula Iusitanica Poa humilis Polygonum rurivagum Potamogeton berchtoldii Pulicaria vulgaris

Salvia pratensis Sanguisorba officinalis Scrophularia umbrosa Silybum marianum Smyrnium olusatrum Stellaria neglecta Stellaria pallida

Radiola linoides Ranunculus arvensis Ranunculus trichophyllus Rosa micrantha Rosa obtusifolia Rosa stylosa Sagina nodosa Sambucus ebulus Scandix pecten-veneris Scleranthus annuus Spergularia rubra Trifolium ornithopodioides Typha angustifolia Ulex gallii Valerianella carinata Veronica agrestis Veronica catenata Viola palustris Viola tricolor Vulpia myuros

Torilis arvensis Torilis nodosa Trifolium striatum Trifolium subterraneum Utricularia minor Vicia sylvatica Wahlenbergia hederacea



CODE	NGR	SSSI NAME
ST73.02	ST794376	
ST73.17	ST757336	Heath Hill Farm
ST74.01	ST795435	Longleat Woods (majority in Somerset)
ST74.03	ST788404	Bradley Woods
ST75.02	ST799589	Iford Manor
ST76.03	ST777616	
ST76.07	ST795607	Midford Valley Woods Winsley Mines
ST82.20	ST891256	Gutch Common
ST82.20	ST831385	Brimsdown Hill
ST83.22	ST804346	Whitesheet Hill
ST83.40		Hang Wood SSSI
	ST861319	0
ST83.52	ST837329	Charnage Chalk Pit (Geological)
ST83.53	ST803324	Dead Maid Quarry (Geological)
ST84.04	ST875491	Upton Cow Down
ST84.14	ST838449	Cley Hill
ST85.12	ST875543	Picket Wood and Clanger Wood
ST85.24	ST853508	Westbury Ironstone Quarry
ST86.03	ST838690	Box Mine
ST86.24	ST800633	Inwood, Warleigh
ST86.38	ST862695	Corsham Railway Cutting (Geological)
ST86.39	ST822603	Gripwood Quarry (Geological)
ST87.001	ST834758	Dank's Down and Truckle Hill
ST87.002	ST831773	Little Grubbin's Meadow
ST87.003	ST842762	Rack Hill
ST87.004	ST852760	West Yatton Down
ST87.005	ST833763	Out Woods
ST87.006	ST837727	Colerne Park & Monk's Wood
ST87.007	ST841730	Honeybrook Farm
ST91.03	ST946196	Rotherley Downs
ST91.05	ST965195	Cranborne Chase
ST92.24	ST962296	Upper Chicksgrove Quarry (Geological)
ST92.34	ST985255	Prescombe Down
ST92.42	ST952244	Gallows Hill
ST92.54	ST966220	Pincombe Down
ST92.56	ST952216	Winklebury Hill
ST92.60	ST927209	Win Green Down
ST92.90	ST901229	Lower Coombe and Ferne Brook Meadows
ST93.09	ST992397	Starveall and Stony Down
ST93.10	ST912385	Tytherington Down
ST93.28	ST958366	Stockton Wood and Down
ST93.38	ST990310	Teffont Evias Quarry/Lane Cutting (Geological)
ST93.44	ST961307	Lady Down Quarry (Geological)
ST93.53	ST975312	Chilmark Quarries
ST93.64	ST933316	Fonthill Grottoes
ST94.01	ST950480	Salisbury Plain
ST94.04	ST915437	Scratchbury and Cotley Hills
ST95.09	ST978523	Great Cheverell Hill
ST95.13	ST925515	Bratton Downs
ST95.23	ST914558	Steeple Ashton (Geological)
ST96.15	ST950676	Spye Park
ST96.38	ST933609	Seend Cleeve Quarry (Geological)
ST96.39	ST937610	Seend Ironstone Quarry and Road Cutting (Geological)
ST97.11	ST946777	Sutton Lane Meadows
ST97.59	ST962732	Bencroft Hill Meadows

ST97.69	ST942744	Kellaways - West Tytherton, River Avon (Geological)
ST98.17	ST930823	Harries Ground, Rodbourne
ST98.21	ST921806	Stanton St Quintin Quarry & Motorway Cutting (Geological)
ST99.14	ST981910	Cloatley Manor Farm Meadows
SU02.12	SU064295	Burcombe Down
SU02.16	SU023273	Knapp and Barnetts Down
SU02.22	SU048237	Knighton Downs and Wood
SU02.24	SU004217	Bowerchalke Downs
SU02.25	SU095246	Stratford Toney Down
SU02.27	SU089245	Throope Down
SU02.31	SU040216	Chickengrove Bottom
SU03.03	SU036387	Steeple Langford Down
SU03.11	SU002361	Wylye and Church Dean Downs
SU03.23	SU054352	Ebsbury Down
SU03.46	SU034335	Baverstock Juniper Bank
SU03.56	SU006308	Dinton Quarry (Geological)
SU03.57	SU008309	Dinton Railway Cutting (Geological)
SU04.01	SU050412	Parsonage Down
SU04.05	SU037403	Yarnbury Castle
SU04.09	SU062450	River Till
SU05.32	SU017583	Stert Brook Exposure (Geological)
SU06.02	SU047692	Calstone and Cherhill Downs
SU06.17	SU028672	Morgan's Hill
SU06.28	SU006658	King's Play Hill
SU06.38	SU000648	Roundway Down and Covert
SU08.38	SU026892	
SU08.03	SU073866	Distillery Farm
SU08.10	SU023884	Restrop Farm and Brockhurst Wood Ravensroost Wood
SU08.58	SU086800	Goldborough Farm
SU08.66 SU09.04	SU078815 SU064904	Wootton Bassett Mud Spring <i>(Geological)</i> Stoke Common Meadows
SU09.14	SU009901	Emmett Hill Meadows
SU09.14	SU012933	Clattinger Farm
SU09.31	SU024927	Acres Farm Meadow
SU09.32	SU036934	Pike Corner
SU09.33	SU067937	Upper Waterhay
SU09.34	SU093946	
SU09.33	SU013937	North Meadow Cotswold Water Park
SU12.04	SUI28287	West Harnham Chalk Pit (Geological)
SU12.04 SU12.13	SU166274	Britford Water Meadow
SU12.26	SU104245	Homington and Coombe Bissett Down
SU12.31	SUI 39250	Odstock Down
SU12.36	SUI 52240	Clearbury Down
SU12.38	SUI20231	Great Yews
SU12.49	SU151289	East Harnham Meadows
SU12.51	SU173264	The River Avon System
SU13.19	SU124347	Lower Woodford Water Meadows
SUI3.19	SU124347 SU185362	Porton Meadows
SU13.23	SU185382 SU188338	Figsbury Ring
	SU188338 SU180330	Bracknell Croft
SU13.29	SU180330 SU170317	
SU13.35	SUI19338	Cockey Down
SU13.37	SU100685	Camp Down Silbury Hill
SU16.02 SU16.20	SU141689	Silbury Hill Piggledene
SU16.20	SUI13636	Piggledene Pewsey Downs
SU16.37	SU168613	Pewsey Downs Jones' Mill
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SU17.09 SU17.24 SU17.26	SUI 37795 SUI 35714 SUI 09795	Clouts Wood Fyfield Down Bincknoll Dip Woods
SU18.03	SU I 20890	Haydon Meadow
SU18.16	SU178820	Coate Water
SU18.17	SU165810	Burderop Wood
SU18.51	SU153832	Old Town Railway Cutting (Geological)
SU18.52	SU147836	Okus Quarry (Geological)
SU18.59	SU151834	Great Quarry Swindon (Geological)
SU21.02	SU215195	Loosehanger Copse and Meadows
SU21.08	SU259185	Landford Bog
SU21.13	SU265178	Landford Heath
SU21.29	SU238169	New Forest
SU22.08	SU234292	Blackmoor Copse
SU22.09	SU250295	Bentley Wood
SU22.16	SU246259	Brickworth Down and Dean Hill
SU22.38	SU255223	Whiteparish Common SSSI
SU22.47	SU230206	Langley Wood and Homan's Copse
SU23.01	SU240365	Porton Down
SU25.05	SU292598	Botley Down
SU26.12	SU215665	Savernake Forest
SU27.84	SU275714	River Kennet
SU28.05	SU228826	The Coombes, Hinton Parva
SU36.21	SU333617	Ham Hill
SU37.08	SU315703	Chilton Foliat Meadows
SU37.10	SU316705	Kennet & Lambourn Floodplain