

# *Arenaria norvegica* Gunnerus ssp.

## *norvegica*

Arctic Sandwort

Key:

Dots refer to the native sites of the species

Numbers refer to the nearby Botanical Collections



### *Starting references*

#### Family

Caryophyllaceae

#### IUCN category (2001)

Vulnerable

#### Habit

Annual, biennial or perennial herb.

#### Habitat

On base-rich substrates over limestone, serpentine and other basic rocks, occurring on rocky knolls, screes, river gravels, fell-field, and occasionally on exposed summit ridges. From c. 15 m (Shetland) to 650 m (Main Argyll).

#### Reasons for decline

Afforestation; pasture improvement; human disturbance; small / isolated population.

#### Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km <sup>2</sup> occurrences)	Population (plants)
Scotland	Unst, Shetland	2	
	West Sutherland	2	
	North Ebeudes	2	
	Beinn Sgulaire, Main Argyll	2	
	Westernness	1	

### *Ex situ Collections*

#### Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 Inverewe Garden (NTS)
- 2 Ardtornish Garden
- 3 Younger Botanic Garden
- 4 Glasgow Botanic Gardens

#### Gardens with specialisation on family Caryophyllaceae

University of Oxford Botanic Garden

#### Potential to grow the species in *ex situ* Collections

### *Conservation information*

#### Linkages to BAPs

Living Shetland Project

Local Biodiversity Action Plan For Argyll And Bute

#### Habitat Management

Protected sites with records for *A. norvegica* ssp. *norvegica* are listed on <http://www.searchnbn.net>

#### Conservation programmes

Unknown

### Web References

- NBN Gateway: <http://www.searchnbn.net>