# Cerastium alpinum L.

Alpine Mouse-ear

Starting references

Family

Caryophyllaceae

**IUCN category (2001)** 

Vulnerable

Habit

Mat-forming montane perennial herb.

Habitat

Abundant on soft mica-schists but also occurs on limestone and, rarely, serpentine. Often occurs in species-rich dwarf-herb communities. From 300m (E Ross) to 1210m (M Perth).

Reasons for decline

#### Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km² occurences)	Population (plants)
Scotland	W Sutherland	4	
	E & W Ross	4	
	Easterness	1	
	Westerness	7	
	Main Argyll	7	
	Angus	2	
	S Aberdeenshire	3	
	M Perth	11	
	E Perth	2	
	W Perth	1	
	Stirlingshire	2	
England	Westmorland	1	
Wales	Caernarvonshire	1	

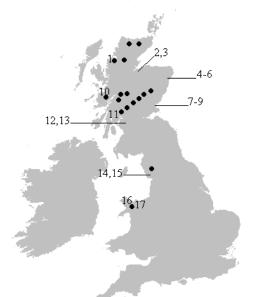
## Ex situ Collections

# Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 Inverewe Garden (NTS)
- 2 Brodie Castle (NTS)
- 3 Cawdor Castle
- 4 Pitmedden Garden (NTS)
- 5 Cruickshank Botanic Garden
- 6 Crathes Castle (NTS)
- 7 Dundee Botanic Garden
- 8 St Andrews Botanic Garden
- 9 Branklyn Garden (NTS)
- 10 Ardtornish Garden
- 11 Younger Botanic Garden
- 12 Glasgow Botanic Gardens
- 13 Greenbank Garden (NTS)
- 14 Holehird Gardens
- 15 Sizergh Castle (NT)



**Dots** refer to the native sites of the species **Numbers** refer to the nearby Botanical Collections



- 16 Treborth Botanic Garden
- 17 Bodnant garden (NT)

# 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

Highland

LBAP For Argyll And Bute

Cairngorms Lbap

North East Scotland Biodiversity Partnership

Tayside BAP

# **Habitat Management**

Protected sites with records for C. alpinum are listed on http://www.searchnbn.net

# **Conservation programmes**

Unknown

#### **Web References**

• NBN Gateway database: http://www.searchnbn.net