

***Herminium monorchis* (L.) R. Br.**
Musk Orchid

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

Starting references

Family

Orchidaceae

IUCN category (2001)

Vulnerable

Habit

Tuberous perennial herb.

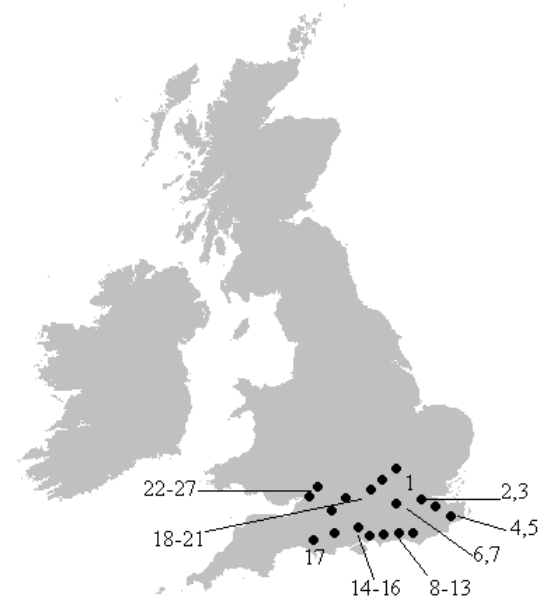
Habitat

Short turf on calcareous soils overlying chalk or oolitic limestone, particularly on the small terracettes of steep slopes; also on quarry floors and on old lime kiln spoil heaps. Lowland.

Reasons for decline

Lack of grazing and consequent scrub encroachment.

Distribution in wild



Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km ² occurrences)	Population (plants)
England	Wiltshire	2	
	Dorset	1	
	Hampshire	3	
	Sussex	8	
	E Gloucestershire	4	
	Bedfordshire	2	
	Hertfordshire	1	
	Buckinghamshire	1	
	Berkshire	3	
	Surrey	3	
	Kent	4	

Ex situ Collections

Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 University of Hertfordshire
- 2 Chelsea Physic Garden
- 3 London & Whipsnade Zoos
- 4 Bedgebury National Pinetum
- 5 Sissinghurst Castle Garden (NT)
- 6 RBG Kew
- 7 RHS Wisley
- 8 Newhaven Botanic Garden
- 9 Sheffield Park
- 10 West Dean Gardens
- 11 High Beeches Gardens
- 12 Nymans Garden (NT)
- 13 Borde Hill Garden
- 14 Longstock Park
- 15 Mottisfont Abbey Rose Garden (NT)
- 16 Sir Harold Hillier Garden
- 17 Abbotsbury Subtropical Garden

- 18 The Harris Garden
- 19 Windsor, The Savill & Valley Gardens
- 20 Akely Wood Farmhouse
- 21 Cliveden (NT)
- 22 Batsford Arboretum
- 23 Hidcote Manor Garden (NT)
- 24 Highgrove House
- 25 Westonbirt National Arboretum
- 26 Bristol Zoo Gardens
- 27 University of Bristol Botanic Garden

Gardens with specialisation on family Orchidaceae

B'ham Botanical Gardens & Glasshouses, Westbourne

Bristol Zoo Gardens

City of Liverpool Botanic Gardens

Glasgow Botanic Gardens

RHS Wisley

RNH Kew

Potential to grow the species in *ex situ* Collections

Conservation information

Linkages to BAPs

Designated LBAP Areas sites with records for *Herminium monorchis* are listed on <http://www.searchnbn.net>

Habitat Management

Protected sites with records for *Herminium monorchis* are listed on <http://www.searchnbn.net>

Conservation programmes

Unknown

Web References

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