

Cerastium fontanum ssp *scoticum*

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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. Endemic

Habit

Herb (short-lived perennial).

Habitat

Exposed montane fell-field and montane heath

Reasons for decline

Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km ² occurrences)	Population (plants)
Scotland	Meikle Kilrannoch, Angus	1	~ 100,000

Ex situ Collections

Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 Pitmedden Garden
- 2 Cruickshank Botanic Garden
- 3 Crathes Castle Garden
- 4 University of Dundee Botanic Garden
- 5 St Andrew Botanic Garden
- 6 Branklyn Garden (NTS)

Botanical Collections with specialisation on family Caryophyllaceae

University of Oxford Botanic Garden

Potential to grow the species in ex situ Collections

From Plants For A Future for species *Cerastium fontanum*

- Propagation

Seed - we have no information on this species but suggest sowing the seed in spring in a cold frame.

When they are large enough to handle, prick the seedlings out into individual pots and plant them out into their permanent positions in the summer. Division in spring might be possible.

- Cultivation

We have very little information on this species and do not know if it will be hardy in Britain, though judging by its native range it should succeed outdoors in many parts of this country. The subspecies *C. fontanum grandiflorum* is an annual, though subspecies *C. fontanum vulgare* is a short-lived perennial. It is likely to require a moist soil in light shade.

Conservation information

Linkages to BAPs

Cairngorms Lbap

North East Scotland Biodiversity Partnership

Tayside BAP

Habitat Management

All populations are within Caenlochan.

SSSI

Caenlochan, Glen Callater and Red Craig

Special Area of Conservation

Caenlochan and River South Esk

Special Protection Area

Caenlochan

Conservation programmes

Unknown

Web References

- NBN Gateway: <http://www.searchnbn.net>
- Plants For A Future Database: http://www.ibiblio.org/pfaf/cgi-bin/arr_html?Cerastium+fontanum&CAN=LATIND