

Peucedanum palustre (L.) Moench

Milk-parsley

Key:

Dots refer to the native sites of the species

Numbers refer to the nearby Botanical Collections

Starting references

Family

Apiaceae

IUCN category (2001)

Vulnerable

Habit

Biennial or short-lived perennial herb.

Habitat

On permanently damp peat, often in sites flooded in winter. It is most characteristic of tall-herb fen, being found in both cut and uncut stands. It can survive in fen scrub and alder-carr, and it occurs rarely in marshes and damp pasture. Lowland.

Reasons for decline

Drainage, land reclamation, scrub invasion.

Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km ² occurrences)	Population (plants)
England	SE Yorks	1	
	N Somerset	2	
	E Sussex	1	
	Norfolk	14	
	Suffolk	2	
	Cambridgeshire	2	



Ex situ Collections

Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 University of Hull Botanic & Experimental Garden
- 2 Roamer House
- 3 Cambridge University Botanic Garden
- 4 Newhaven Botanic Garden
- 5 Sheffield Park
- 6 Bristol Zoo Gardens
- 7 University of Bristol Botanic garden
- 8 Wildwalk @ Bristol
- 9 Congrove Cottage

Gardens with specialisation on family Apiaceae

None

Potential to grow the species in *ex situ* Collections

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- Propagation

Seed - we have no information on this species but suggest sowing the seed in a cold frame as soon as it is ripe if this is possible otherwise in early spring. When they are large enough to handle, prick the seedlings out into individual pots and plant them out in the summer.

- Cultivation

An easily grown plant, it succeeds in any moisture-retentive soil in a sunny position. Suitable for group plantings in the wild garden.

Conservation information

Linkages to BAPs

Bradford Biodiversity Action Plan

Calderdale's Natural Heritage

Selby Bap

Wakefield District Biodiversity Plan

Habitat Management

Protected site with records for *P. palustre* are listed on <http://www.searchnbn.net>

Conservation programmes

Unknown

Web References

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

- Images:

http://www.ukwildflowers.com/Web_pages/peucedanum_palustre_milk_parsley.htm

- Plants For A Future, Database: http://www.ibiblio.org/pfaf/cgi-bin/arr_html?Peucedanum+palustre&CAN=LATIND