

# *Romulea columnae* Seb. & Mauri

Sand Crocus

Key:

**Dots** refer to the native sites of the species

**Numbers** refer to the nearby Botanical Collections



## Starting references

### Family

Iridaceae

### IUCN category (2001)

Vulnerable

### Habit

Cormous herb (perennial).

### Habitat

Established sand-dune grassland.

### Reasons for decline

### Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km <sup>2</sup> occurrences)	Population (plants)
England	Dawlish Warren, S. Devon	1	

### Ex situ Collections

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

- 1 Paignton Zoological & Botanical Gardens
- 2 Exeter University
- 3 Bicton Park Botanical Gardens
- 4 Castle Drogo
- 5 Knightshayes Garden (NT)
- 6 The Shippen

#### Gardens of specialisation on family Iridaceae

Arduaine Garden

Exeter University

Harris Garden

Inverewe Garden

Ness Botanic Gardens

RBG, Kew

University of Oxford Botanic Garden

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

### Conservation information

*Romulea columnae* is listed on Schedule 8 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981

### Linkages to BAPs

Devon BAP.

### Habitat Management

In 1981, sections of turf containing corms of *R. columnae* were successfully transplanted from an area earmarked for a car park.

### Conservation programmes

Unknown

### Web References

- Image: [http://www.ukwildflowers.com/Web\\_pages/romulea\\_columnae\\_sand\\_crocus.htm](http://www.ukwildflowers.com/Web_pages/romulea_columnae_sand_crocus.htm)