

Corsica in Autumn

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Corsican Nuthatch



Tyrrhenian Painted Frog



Cyclamen hederifolium



Corsican Finch

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Day 1

Sunday 20th September

We arrived at Calvi airport in the late morning and, after loading our vehicles, made the short journey into Calvi to allow a brief exploration of the town and busy waterfront. We travelled south, through the pungent maquis, crossing the dried-up Fango river and stopped by the rocky coastline just north of Galeria. Notable plants here included the very common yellow-flowered Stink Aster *Dittrichia viscosa*, the familiar Curry Plant *Helichrysum italicum*, a robust glaucous-leaved spurge *Euphorbia pithyusa* subsp. *pithyusa*, and two of the islands rare endemics: the pink Corsican Stork's-bill *Erodium corsicum* and the intricately-branched sea lavender *Limonium corsicum*. Further south, we stopped at the Col de Palmarella to stretch our legs and enjoy the views over the Golfe de Girolata and the rugged headland of Scandola. After many more twists and turns of the road, we reached the dramatic red-granite cliffs on the approach to Porto. Tree Spurge *Euphorbia dendroides* was the dominant shrub on the cliffs, its foliage either absent or coloured orange, after the long hot dry summer. Autumn Squill *Scilla autumnalis* and *Cyclamen hederifolium* were flowering from crevices in the rocks. From Porto, we turned inland for the steep climb to Evisa, arriving at our hotel in a pleasant temperature of 21°C. After settling in to our new surroundings, we enjoyed a hearty meal of wild boar stew as we watched the sun go down.

Day 2

Monday 21st September

We strolled down through Evisa and joined the old mule trail that descends steeply into the Spelunca Gorge. The dense mature maquis is dominated, here by Holm Oak *Quercus ilex*, Strawberry Tree *Arbutus unedo* and Tree Heather *Erica arborea*, their canopies high above our heads. We marvelled at the attractive platy bark of the pines, a feature, as well as cone size, that readily distinguishes Maritime Pine *Pinus maritima* from the endemic Corsican Pine *Pinus nigra* subsp. *laricio*. A Firecrest gave a brief show at the start of the walk and others could be heard regularly, as we descended. After a seemingly endless descent, we enjoyed lunch by the restored Genoese Zaglia Bridge, where butterflies flitted in the bright sunlight, above the crystal-clear water of the river. An undulating path led us down-stream, following the conspicuous course of an eroded basalt dyke, until we reached the road and were reunited with our minibus.

After relaxing over drinks in the delightful village of Ota, we drove on down to Porto and then a little way south into the spectacular eroded granites of the Calanche de Piana. Here we found the delicate endemic Pink Snowflake *Acis rosea* and finished the afternoon with a short road-walk through the amazing scenery before returning to the hotel for another delicious meal.

Day 3

Tuesday 22nd September

The early risers managed only fleeting views of Corsican Nuthatch and Corsican Finch, not far from the hotel. After breakfast we drove a short distance up into cool air of the Foret d'Aitone. We walked to the ruins of a chestnut mill by the river, where we found Willow Gentian *Gentiana asclepiadea*, Corsican Leopard's-bane *Doronicum corsicum*, and curtains of Corsican Bog Asphodel *Narthecium ossifragum*, on the wet rocks. The forest here is dominated by Corsican Pine, with Silver Fir *Abies alba* and an under-storey of Holly *Ilex aquifolium*. Birdlife was sparse but we were rewarded with good views of Great Spotted Woodpecker, Treecreeper and a Corsican Crossbill high in the treetops, the third of our trio of Corsican endemics. We moved on to another area of forest,

where wet areas contained large stands of Willow Gentian and a carpet of strong-smelling Corsican Mint *Mentha requienii*. On an open area of exposed granite, we had excellent views of two of the island's endemic lizards: the common Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard and the chunkier Bedriaga's Rock Lizard. From here, we had extensive views over the forest and the vast areas of lichen-encrusted granite, stretching to the skyline.

We moved on to the Col de Sevi, at 1101 metres, for lunch, where the local pigs provided entertainment. A number of pink flowers of *Colchicum neapolitanum* pushed through the disturbed ground and careful searching of the scrubby hillside revealed the occasional skulking Marmora's Warbler. After lunch, we descended to the coast and the Liamone estuary. Little Egret and Little Grebe were on the water and in the scrubby area behind the dunes we added Greenfinch, Stonechat, Corn Bunting and a solitary Blue-headed Yellow Wagtail. The beach cafe provided welcome refreshments before we set off back to Evisa. We stopped, en route, to watch the many Red Kites and Ravens flying over a large landfill site and then had a brief look at a Menhir stone in the churchyard at Col de St Antoine.

Day 4

Wednesday 23rd September

The few of us that ventured out before breakfast managed to obtain brief views of Corsican Nuthatch but far better views of Corsican Finch. These smart endemic finches were feeding on a rough bank and flew up to pose in the sun, allowing excellent views. After breakfast, we loaded the minibuses and set off to the Col de Vergio. It was cold and windy, when we reached the top of the pass so, instead of our planned walk, we descended into the forest and walked along the road for a while, surrounded by the tall straight trunks of Corsican Pine. The Wood Spurge *Euphorbia amygdaloides* subsp. *semiperfoliata* and Irish Spurge *Euphorbia hyberna* subsp. *insularis* were conspicuous on the forest floor, both subspecies being regional endemics, and large fruiting plants of Deadly Nightshade *Atropa belladonna* grew on the roadside. We made another short stop, on leaving the forest, before continuing our descent eastwards through Calacuccia.

A little way into the rocky defile of the Santa Regina Gorge, we stopped the vehicles to allow everyone to walk down the road and enjoy the spectacular scenery. The intention was to prepare lunch further down the gorge but the strong wind made this impossible and we eventually found some shelter by an area of maquis, close to the railway line. The hoped-for warblers were silent and keeping their heads down but we did find a number of spikes of Autumn Lady's-tresses *Spiranthes spiralis* and identified 16 species of butterfly. We had a little time in hand and so were able to spend some time exploring the delights of Corte, Corsica's intriguing former capital, before the final leg of our journey to our hotel. Set in the heart of the maquis, by the Vecchio river, this was to be our base for the remainder of the trip.

Day 5

Thursday 24th September

Our early morning walks for the rest of the week were relatively unproductive, with only a few sightings of Sardinian Warbler, one brief glimpse of a Dartford Warbler and a brief snatch of a contact call from a Marmora's Warbler; a fairly typical experience the Corsican maquis, at this time of the year. As at Evisa, the monotonous call of Scops Owl could be heard at night.

Today we drove a short distance south to the Verghello valley, where Gustav Eiffel's dramatic railway bridge and the elegant modern road bridge span the gorge. Early light rain cleared away to give warm sunshine for the rest

of the day. We enjoyed a leisurely walk up the road, observing butterflies nectaring on the few plants which were in flower at this season, in particular the evergreen Mediterranean Mezereon *Daphne gnidium*. A couple of young Tyrrhenian Painted Frogs were spotted in a small stream and we had, again, brief glimpses of Corsican Finch, Corsican Nuthatch and Corsican Crossbill. After a brief walk through the forest, we enjoyed a relaxing lunch, taking in the grandeur of the mountain scenery. After a walk back down through the forest, we drove back to the main road and up to its highest point at the Col Vizzavona where magnificent forest of Beech *Fagus sylvatica* is dominant. The old practice of coppicing for the valuable timber has ceased but multi-trunked monsters remain, as a reminder. We followed this with a walk down to the Cascades des Anglais, where mixed open forest contains an abundance of *Cyclamen hederifolium*, growing among the boulders. Before returning for dinner, we rounded off the afternoon with drinks at Vizzavona station, the highest on Corsica's unique railway.

Day 6

Friday 25th September

A beautiful sunny morning heralded our visit to the Restonica valley, which runs south-west from Corte, deep into the rugged mountains of the interior. We paused at the bridge in Corte, famously painted by Edward Lear, spotting Grey Wagtail and a Dipper, preening itself on the riverside boulders. A little way up the valley, we stopped off and located a small flock of Corsican Nuthatch. We all had fantastic views of this island endemic with some even posing obligingly for photographs on the tree trunks. Corsican Crossbill was also seen here preening after bathing in the river. On reaching the upper limits of the forest, we were afforded fine views of the upper valley and soaring jagged ridges on the skyline. It was here that Tom's sharp eyes spotted a distant Lammergeier (Bearded Vulture), one of only eight pairs that inhabit the island and Corsica's only vulture.

At the road-head, we decided to have an early lunch, to allow the group to split in the afternoon. Some took the easier option of walking back down the road, while a few of the more able set off for to climb up to Lac de Melo. It was an exhilarating walk through low-growing Corsican Alder, *Alnus alnobetula* subsp. *suaveolens* and scattered trees of Sycamore *Acer pseudoplatanus* and the endemic Rowan *Sorbus aucuparia* subsp. *praemorsa*, resplendent with pink bark and clusters of glowing orange-red berries. A couple of fixed ladders facilitated our progress, near the top, and we were soon gazing over the placid water of the circular glacial lake, surrounded by high ridges and pinnacles of granite. Three of us continued upwards on a steep scramble to the remote Lac de Capitello at 1940 metres, seeing Alpine Accentor and a passing Golden Eagle. After a rapid descent, we had time for drinks at the cafe before driving back down the valley to pick up those who had walked down the road to Pont Tragone. We arrived back at the hotel at 5.30pm. As we were enjoying pre-dinner drinks, a flock of hundreds of House Martins passed over, on migration, including 20 or more Alpine Swift.

Day 7

Saturday 26th September

By way of a change from the mountains, we headed south-east to the coast, picking up lunch, on the way, in Aleria. Before reaching Aleria we stopped at a pull in to scan the skies for raptors and were rewarded with a stunning Two-tailed Pasha warming up in the morning sun while a Blue-rock Thrush was seen, if rather distantly. A coffee stop was welcome, before a stroll along the sandy beach which was still showing much evidence of the previous winter's storms. Further south we visited very different coastal environments around the Etang d'Urbino, the second-largest of Corsica's saline lagoons. From a distance, we could pick out Great and Little Egret, Eurasian Coot and Common Sandpiper. Along the muddy inland edge of the saltmarsh were Common and Scarlet Darter and the endemic Island Bluetail. Distant squeals of Water Rail could be heard in the reeds and

we spent a long time observing the curious larvae of Long-horned General, a species of Soldier Fly, that were emerging along the water's edge. We had lunch on the balcony of a fisherman's cottage, which provided welcome shade from the hot sun and the luxury of a table and chairs. On the water were European Shag, Great Cormorant, Black-headed and Yellow-legged Gulls. The highlight was a superb Osprey which was perched on the opposite shore and we all enjoyed excellent scope views. Our final stop of the day was a visit to the hilltop site at Aleria, with its Genoese Fort and ruins of the Roman town, where we had fine views of Italian Wall Lizard, on the walls of one of the cisterns. We were back at our hotel in time to enjoy snacks and a glass of wine beside our chalets before dinner.

Day 8

Sunday 27th September

After breakfast and packing, we set off for the two-hour drive back to Calvi. We had a short walk along the river and enjoyed a Golden Eagle stooping onto a pylon before the departing. The roads were quiet and we made good progress, allowing time for a coffee stop by a sandy beach on the north coast. It had been a very enjoyable week, with stunning scenery, fascinating natural history and, above all, good company.

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Species Lists

Plants

Plant classification largely follows the familiar 'old' system, likely to be encountered in current floras of the region

Recent taxonomic changes have been incorporated, where relevant

Scientific name	Common name	Notes
LYCOPODIOPSIDA		
CLUBMOSES		
Selaginellaceae		
<i>Selaginella denticulata</i>	Lesser Clubmoss Family Toothed Clubmoss	Damp earth. Common
EQUISETOPSIDA		
HORSETAILS		
Equisetaceae		
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Horsetail Family Field Horsetail	Occasional in pasture
<i>Equisetum ramosissimum</i>	Branched Horsetail	Hedges
<i>Equisetum telmateia</i>	Giant Horsetail	Occasional in ditches
PTEROPSIDA		
FERNS		
Aspleniaceae		
<i>Asplenium adiantum-nigrum</i>	Spleenwort Family Black Spleenwort	Occasional on rocks
<i>Asplenium ceterach</i>	Rustyback	Rocks
<i>Asplenium obovatum</i>	Lanceolate Spleenwort	Shaded rocks. Spelunca
<i>Asplenium onopteris</i>	Sharp-leaved Spleenwort	Walls
<i>Asplenium ruta-muraria</i>	Wall-rue	Foret d'Aitone, Restonica
<i>Asplenium septentrionale</i>	Forked Spleenwort	Shaded rocks. Spelunca
<i>Asplenium trichomanes</i>	Maidenhair Spleenwort	Occasional on rocks
Blechnaceae		
<i>Blechnum spicant</i>	Hard-fern Family Hard-fern	Foret d'Aitone
Dennstaedtiaceae		
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken Family Bracken	Common
Dryopteridaceae		
<i>Dryopteris cambrensis</i>	Buckler-fern Family Narrow Male-fern	Common
<i>Dryopteris dilatata</i>	Broad Buckler-fern	Forests
<i>Dryopteris expansa</i>	Northern Buckler-fern	Mountain rocks and scrub
<i>Dryopteris oreades</i>	Mountain Male-fern	Common
<i>Polystichum aculeatum</i>	Hard Shield-fern	Cascades des Anglais
<i>Polystichum setiferum</i>	Soft Shield-fern	Foret d'Aitone
Osmundaceae		
<i>Osmunda regalis</i>	Royal Fern Family Royal Fern	Common by rivers
Polypodiaceae		
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i>	Polypody Family Southern Polypody	Occasional on rocks
<i>Polypodium vulgare</i>	Common Polypody	Occasional on rocks
Pteridaceae		
<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i>	Maidenhair Fern Family Maidenhair Fern	Wet rocks. Spelunca
<i>Anogramma leptophylla</i>	Jersey Fern	Damp places. Spelunca

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<i>Cheilanthes acrosticha</i>	Scented Cheilanthes	Cliffs
<i>Cheilanthes maderensis</i>		Dry cliffs. Spelunca
<i>Cheilanthes tinaei</i>		Cliffs
<i>Cryptogramma crispa</i>	Parsley Fern	Mountain rocks. Restonica
Woodsiaceae	Lady-fern Family	
<i>Athyrium distentifolium</i>	Alpine Lady-fern	Above Lac de Melo
<i>Athyrium felix-femina</i>	Lady-fern	Foret d'Aitone
<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Brittle Bladder-fern	Frequent on rocks
PINOPSIDA	CONIFERS	
Cupressaceae	Cypress Family	
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian Cypress	Cultivated
<i>Juniperus communis</i> subsp. <i>alpina</i>	Juniper	Common in mountains
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i>	Prickly Juniper	Common in maquis
<i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Phoenician Juniper	Occasional in maquis
Pinaceae	Pine Family	
<i>Abies alba</i>	European Silver-fir	Foret d'Aitone, Vizzavona
<i>Larix decidua</i> ‡	Larch	Occasional. Foret d'Aitone
<i>Pinus halepensis</i> ‡	Aleppo Pine	Planted
<i>Pinus nigra</i> subsp. <i>laricio</i> •	Corsican Pine	Forests
<i>Pinus pinaster</i>	Maritime Pine	Common in lower forests
<i>Pinus pinea</i> ‡	Umbrella Pine	Planted near coasts
<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> ‡	Douglas Fir	Planted. Foret d'Aitone
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	FLOWERING PLANTS	
MAGNOLIIDAE	DICOTYLEDONS	
Aceraceae	Maple Family	
<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>	Montpelier Maple	Frequent in maquis
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sycamore	Restonica
Aizoaceae	Dewplant Family	
<i>Carpobrotus acinaciformis</i> ‡	Red Hottentot-fig	Coastal alien
<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> ‡	Yellow Hottentot-fig	Coastal alien
Anacardiaceae	Sumach Family	
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree	Common in maquis
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
<i>Bunium alpinum</i> subsp. <i>corydalinum</i> •	A Pignut	Mountain pasture
<i>Bupleurum fruticosum</i>	Shrubby Hare's-ear	Rocky places in maquis
<i>Bupleurum stellatum</i>	Starry Hare's-ear	Rocks
<i>Crithmum maritimum</i>	Rock Samphire	Coastal rocks
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Wild Carrot	Common
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	Field Eryngo	Frequent
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea Holly	Coast
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	Frequent
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> subsp. <i>vulgare</i>	Fennel	Common
<i>Imperatoria ostruthium</i>	Masterwort	Mountain streamsides

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<i>Mutellina corsica</i> var. <i>corsica</i> •	A Lovage	Restonica
Apocynaceae	Oleander Family	
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	By streams in maquis
<i>Vinca difformis</i>	Intermediate Periwinkle	Evisa
Aquifoliaceae	Holly Family	
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	Holly	Frequent in forests
Araliaceae	Ivy Family	
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	Common
Asclepiadaceae	Milkweed Family	
<i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i> †	Bristle-fruited Silkweed	Occasional. Roadsides
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i>	Swallow-wort	Restonica
Asteraceae	Daisy Family	
<i>Achillea ligustica</i>	Southern Yarrow	Common
<i>Adenostyles briquetii</i> •	Briquet's Adenostyles	Restonica
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy	Occasional
<i>Bellis sylvestris</i>	Southern Daisy	Frequent
<i>Bellium bellidioides</i> •	False Daisy	Common
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	Plymouth Thistle	Common. Waste ground
<i>Carduus tenuiflorus</i>	Slender Thistle	Coast
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i>	A Carlina Thistle	Common to 1000 metres
<i>Carlina macrocephala</i> subsp. <i>macrocephala</i> •	Large-headed Carlina Thistle	Occasional above 1000 metres
<i>Centaurea sphaerocephala</i>	A Knapweed	Sand dunes. East coast
<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	Rush Skeletonweed	Waste places
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Chicory	Roadsides
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Spear Thistle	Grassy and waste places
<i>Dittrichia graveolens</i>	Aromatic Inula	Roadsides. Frequent
<i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>	Stink Aster	Roadsides . Common
<i>Doronicum corsicum</i> •	Corsican Leopard's-bane	Wet rocks
<i>Galactites tomentosa</i>	Galactites	Waste places
<i>Glebionis coronaria</i>	Crown Daisy	Waste places
<i>Glebionis segetum</i>	Corn Marigold	Liamone beach
<i>Gnaphthaliun supinum</i>	Dwarf Cudweed	Above Lac de Melo
<i>Helichrysum frigidum</i> •	An Everlastingflower	Mountain rocks
<i>Helichrysum italicum</i> subsp. <i>italicum</i>	A Curry Plant	Rocky places
<i>Hypochaeris achyrophorus</i>	Mediterranean Cat's-ear	Frequent
<i>Hypochaeris glabra</i>	Smooth Cat's-ear	Frequent
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Common Cat's-ear	Sand dunes
<i>Jacobaea maritima</i>	Cineraria	Cliffs. Porto
<i>Lapsana communis</i>	Nipplewort	Waste places
<i>Mycelis muralis</i>	Wall Lettuce	Walls
<i>Onopordon illyricum</i>	Illyrian Scotch Thistle	Common. Waste ground
<i>Otanthus maritimus</i>	Cottonweed	Sandy coasts
<i>Phagnalon saxatile</i>	A Shrubby Cudweed	Rocks at low altitude
<i>Prenanthes purpurea</i>	Purple Lettuce	Forests
<i>Ptilostemon casabonae</i> •	A Ptilostemon	Verghello. Restonica
<i>Pulicaria odora</i>	Mediterranean Fleabane	Common in maquis
<i>Robertia taraxacoides</i> •		Widespread
<i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>	Spanish Oyster Plant	Roadsides

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<i>Senecio transiens</i> •	A Sea Groundsel	Coastal rocks and sand
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	Waste places
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Milk Thistle	Waste places
<i>Solidago virgaurea</i>	Goldenrod	Mountains
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Prickly Sow-thistle	Waste places
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Smooth Sow-thistle	Waste places
<i>Xanthium italicum</i> ‡	A Cocklebur	Coasts
<i>Xanthium spinosum</i> ‡	Spiny Cocklebur	Ruderal
Berberidaceae	Barberry Family	
<i>Berberis aetnensis</i> •	Etna Barberry	Mountains
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
<i>Alnus alnobetula</i> subsp. <i>suaveolens</i> •	Corsican Alder	Restonica
<i>Alnus cordata</i> •	Italian Alder	Occasional
<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>	Common Alder	Common by rivers
<i>Betula pendula</i>	Silver Birch	Forests to treeline
Boraginaceae	Borage Family	
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Cretan Hound's-tongue	Roadsides
<i>Echium italicum</i>	Italian Viper's-bugloss	Roadsides
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Viper's-bugloss	Waste ground
<i>Heliotropium europaeum</i>	Heliotrope	Common. Roadsides
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
<i>Arabis alpina</i> subsp. <i>alpina</i>	Alpine Rock-cress	Restonica
<i>Arabis caucasica</i> ‡	Garden Arabis	Vizzavona Station
<i>Barbarea rupicola</i> •	Rock Winter-cress	Damp rocks
<i>Cakile maritima</i>	Sea Rocket	Coasts
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's-purse	Widespread
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy Bitter-cress	Widespread
<i>Cardamine resedifolia</i>	Mignonette-leaved Bitter-cress	Mountain rocks
<i>Hirschfeldia incana</i>	Hoary Mustard	Waste places
<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>	Woad	Roadsides
<i>Lepidium hirtum</i> subsp. <i>oxyotum</i>	A Pepperwort	Mountains
<i>Lobularia maritima</i>	Sweet Alison	Coastal rocks
<i>Lunaria annua</i>	Honesty	Near habitation
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	Coastal
<i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i> subsp. <i>maritimum</i>	Sea Radish	Liamone beach
<i>Sinapsis alba</i>	White Mustard	Waste places
<i>Sinapsis arvensis</i>	Charlock	Waste places
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Hedge Mustard	Waste places
Buddlejaceae	Butterfly-bush Family	
<i>Buddleja davidii</i> ‡	Butterfly-bush	Near habitation
Buxaceae	Box Family	
<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>	Box	Spelunca
Cactaceae	Cactus Family	
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i> ‡	Prickly Pear	Widely planted
<i>Opuntia microdasys</i> ‡		Planted. Corte

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Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
<i>Jasione montana</i>	Sheep's-bit	Mountain rocks
<i>Phyteuma serratum</i> •	Toothed Rampion	Rocks. Restonica
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
<i>Lonicera etrusca</i>	Etruscan Honeysuckle	Occasional
<i>Lonicera implexa</i>	A Honeysuckle	Frequent in maquis
<i>Sambucus ebulus</i>	Danewort	Foret d'Aitone. Vizzavona
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elderberry	Occasional
<i>Viburnum tinus</i>	Laurustinus	Shaded maquis. Common
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Arenaria balearica</i> •	Balearic Sandwort	Cascades des Anglais
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Mouse-ear Chickweed	Frequent
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear	Waste places
<i>Cerastium soleirolii</i> •	A Mouse-ear	Common. Mountains
<i>Dianthus furcatus</i> subsp. <i>gyspergerae</i> •	Madame Gysperger's Pink	Cliffs. Calanche de Piana
<i>Dianthus sylvestris</i> subsp. <i>godronianus</i> •	Godron's Pink	Cliffs
<i>Minuartia verna</i>	Vernal Sandwort	Mountains
<i>Paronychia argentea</i>	Silvery Paronychia	Sandy coast
<i>Paronychia polygonifolia</i>	A Paronychia	Mountains
<i>Petrorhagia saxifraga</i> subsp. <i>gasparrinii</i> •	A Tunic flower	Frequent on rocks
<i>Sagina procumbens</i>	Pearlwort	Common
<i>Saponaria officinalis</i>	Soapwort	Occasional. Roadsides
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	White Campion	Occasional
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion	Frequent
<i>Spergularia rubra</i>	Sand Spurrey	Rocky places
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Chickweed	Waste places
Chenopodiaceae	Goosefoot Family	
<i>Beta vulgaris</i> subsp. <i>maritima</i>	Sea Beet	Liamone beach
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	Fat-hen	Occasional weed
<i>Chenopodium bonus-henricus</i>	Good-King-Henry	Animal pens
<i>Halimione portulacoides</i>	Sea Purslane	Beaches
<i>Salsola kali</i>	Prickly Saltwort	Sandy beaches
<i>Sarcocornia fruticosa</i>	A Perennial Glasswort	Salt marsh. Etang d'Urbino
Cistaceae	Rockrose Family	
<i>Cistus creticus</i>	Cretan Cistus	Common in maquis
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>	Narrow-leaved Cistus	Common in maquis
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	Common in maquis
Convolvulaceae	Bindweed Family	
<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	Large Bindweed	Occasional weed
<i>Calystegia soldanella</i>	Sea Bindweed	Sand dunes. Liamone
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	Frequent
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Field Bindweed	Occasional weed
Corylaceae	Hazel Family	
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Hazel	Frequent
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Sedum album</i>	White Stonecrop	Rocks. Frequent

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<i>Sedum brevifolium</i>	Short-leaved Stonecrop	Rocks. Common
<i>Sedum caeruleum</i> •	Blue Stonecrop	Spelunca
<i>Sedum dasyphyllum</i>	Fat-leaved Stonecrop	Rocks and walls
<i>Sedum rubens</i>	Red Stonecrop	Rocks. Common
<i>Sedum rupestre</i>	Large Rock Stonecrop	Rocks. Occasional
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Wall Pennywort	Rocks. Common
Cucurbitaceae	Cucumber Family	
<i>Ecballium elaterium</i>	Squirting Cucumber	Waste places
Dipsacaceae	Teasel Family	
<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>	Teasel	Occasional
<i>Knautia integrifolia</i>	Entire-leaved Scabious	Waste places
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry Tree	Maquis
<i>Erica arborea</i>	Tree Heather	Maquis
<i>Erica terminalis</i>	Corsican Heath	Verghello valley
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry	Restonica
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
<i>Euphorbia amygdaloides</i> subsp. <i>semiperfoliata</i> •	A Wood Spurge	Frequent. Forests
<i>Euphorbia characias</i> subsp. <i>characias</i>	Large Mediterranean Spurge	Widespread
<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i>	Tree Spurge	Coastal cliffs
<i>Euphorbia exigua</i>	Dwarf Spurge	Occasional
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	Waste ground
<i>Euphorbia hyberna</i> subsp. <i>insularis</i> •	An Irish Spurge	Forest
<i>Euphorbia lathyris</i>	Caper Spurge	Evisa
<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Sea Spurge	Sand dunes
<i>Euphorbia pithyusa</i> subsp. <i>pithyusa</i>	A Spurge	Coast
Fabaceae	Pea Family	
<i>Anthyllis hermanniae</i>	Herman's Kidney Vetch	Common
<i>Bituminaria bituminosa</i>	Pitch Trefoil	Common
<i>Calycotome villosa</i>	Hairy Thorny Broom	Maquis
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	Occasional
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i> ‡	Judas Tree	Frequent
<i>Genista corsica</i> •	Corsican Broom	Maquis
<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	Monpellier Broom	Maquis
<i>Genista salzmannii</i> var. <i>lobelioides</i> •		Mountains
<i>Genista salzmannii</i> var. <i>salzmannii</i> •		Lower altitudes than var. <i>lobelioides</i>
<i>Lathyrus latifolius</i>	Broad-leaved Everlasting-pea	Open forest
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	Occasional
<i>Lupinus angustifolius</i>	Narrow-leaved Lupin	Occasional
<i>Medicago arabica</i>	Spotted Medick	Common
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Black Medick	Frequent
<i>Medicago marina</i>	Sea Medick	Sand dunes
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Toothed Medick	Waste places
<i>Medicago sativa</i> ‡	Lucerne	Cultivated and naturalised
<i>Melilotus albus</i> ‡	White Melilot	Waste places
<i>Melilotus indicus</i>	Small Melilot	Occasional
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> ‡	False Acacia	Cultivated

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<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish Broom	Roadsides
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	Occasional
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Red Clover	Common
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	Common
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	Common
<i>Vicia cracca</i> subsp. <i>tenuifolia</i>	Tufted Vetch	Common
<i>Vicia sativa</i> subsp. <i>sativa</i>	Common Vetch	Common
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
<i>Castanea sativa</i> ‡	Sweet Chestnut	Widely planted
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Beech	Forests to tree-line
<i>Quercus coccifera</i>	Kermes Oak	Maquis
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holm Oak	Maquis
<i>Quercus pubescens</i>	Downy Oak	Venaco
<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork Oak	Lowland maquis
Gentianaceae	Gentian Family	
<i>Gentiana asclepiadea</i>	Willow-leaved Gentian	Foret d'Aitone. Restonica
Geraniaceae	Crane's-bill Family	
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	Coast and waste places
<i>Erodium corsicum</i> •	Corsican Stork's-bill	Coastal rocks. Galeria
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill	Spelunca
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert	Widespread
Hypericaceae	St John's-wort Family	
<i>Hypericum australe</i>	Southern St John's-wort	Frequent. Maquis
<i>Hypericum corsicum</i>	Corsican St John's-wort	Streamsides
<i>Hypericum hircinum</i>	Stinking Tutsan	Streamsides, damp rocks
<i>Hypericum montanum</i>	Pale St John's-wort	Forests
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perfoliate St John's-wort	Frequent
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perforate St John's-wort	Wet places
<i>Hypericum tetrapterum</i>	Square-stalked St John's-wort	Damp places
Juglandaceae	Walnut Family	
<i>Juglans regia</i> ‡	Walnut	Occasional
Lamiaceae	Dead-nettle Family	
<i>Ballota nigra</i>	Black Horehound	Roadsides
<i>Clinopodium calamintha</i>	Lesser Calamint	Waste places. Widespread
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	Wild Basil	Common
<i>Lavandula stoechas</i>	French Lavender	Rocky places in maquis
<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>	White Horehound	Roadsides. Ruderal
<i>Mentha aquatica</i>	Water Mint	Wet places
<i>Mentha requienii</i> •	Corsican Mint	Foret d'Aitone
<i>Mentha spicata</i>	Spear Mint	Damp places
<i>Mentha suaveolens</i> subsp. <i>insularis</i> •	A Round-leaved Mint	Damp places
<i>Micromeria filiformis</i>	Thread-leaved Micromeria	Santa Regina Gorge
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary	Hot rocky places
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	Frequent
<i>Stachys corsica</i> •	Corsican Woundwort	Frequent
<i>Stachys glutinosa</i> •	Sticky Woundwort	Rocky places
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>	Felty Germander	Frequent. Rocky places

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<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	Wall Germander	Occasional
<i>Teucrium marum</i> •	A Germander	Rocky places
<i>Teucrium scorodonia</i>	Wood Sage	Common in forests
<i>Thymus herba-barona</i> •	A Thyme	Common in mountains
Lentibulariaceae	Butterwort Family	
<i>Pinguicula corsica</i> •	Corsican Butterwort	Wet places. Restonica
Linaceae	Flax Family	
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Pale Flax	Locally common
Loranthaceae	Mistletoe Family	
<i>Viscum album</i> subsp. <i>austriacum</i>	Mistletoe	Common on Pine and Fir
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
<i>Lavatera arborea</i>	Tree Mallow	Near coast
<i>Lavatera cretica</i>	Small Tree Mallow	Occasional
<i>Malva parviflora</i>	Least Mallow	Occasional
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	Roadsides
Moraceae	Fig Family	
<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	Frequent in maquis
<i>Morus alba</i> ‡	White Mulberry	Cultivated
Myrtaceae	Myrtle Family	
<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> ‡	River Red Gum	Cultivated
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Common Myrtle	Occasional in maquis
Oleaceae	Olive Family	
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	Manna Ash	Common in maquis
<i>Olea europaea</i> subsp. <i>oleaster</i>	Wild Olive	Maquis
<i>Phillyrea angustifolia</i>	Narrow-leaved Mock Privet	Common in maquis
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>	Large-leaved Mock Privet	Frequent in maquis
Onagraceae	Willowherb Family	
<i>Epilobium anagallidifolium</i>	Alpine Willowherb	Damp mountain rocks
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	Great Willowherb	Damp places
<i>Epilobium montanum</i>	Broad-leaved Willowherb	Frequent
<i>Epilobium parviflorum</i>	Hoary Willowherb	Streamsides
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
<i>Orobanche rigens</i> •	A Broomrape	Parasitic on <i>Genista</i>
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family	
<i>Oxalis articulata</i> ‡	Pink Oxalis	Garden escape
<i>Oxalis corniculata</i>	Procumbent Yellow Sorrel	Ruderal
<i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i> ‡	Bermuda Buttercup	Alien weed
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
<i>Glaucium flavum</i>	Yellow Horned-poppy	Sand dunes
Phytolaccaceae	Pokeweed Family	
<i>Phytolacca acinos</i> ‡	Pokeweed	Waste places

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Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
<i>Plantago afra</i>	Glandular Plantain	Rocky places. Common
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain	Coastal
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain	Widespread
<i>Plantago major</i>	Greater Plantain	Waste ground
<i>Plantago sarda</i> var. <i>sarda</i> •	A Plantain	Mountains
Platanaceae	Plane Family	
<i>Platanus x hispanica</i> ‡	London Plane	Cultivated
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family	
<i>Armeria leucocephala</i> •	White-headed Thrift	Santa Regina Gorge
<i>Armeria multiceps</i> •	Multi-headed Thrift	Mountains. Common
<i>Limonium corsicum</i> •	A Sea Lavender	Coastal rocks. Galeria
Polygalaceae	Milkwort Family	
<i>Polygala nicaeensis</i> subsp. <i>corsica</i> •	Corsican Milkwort	Occasional
<i>Polygala vulgaris</i>	Common Milkwort	Foret d'Aitone
Polygonaceae	Dock Family	
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Knotgrass	Bare ground
<i>Polygonum maritimum</i>	Sea Knotgrass	Coastal
<i>Rumex acetosella</i> subsp. <i>pyrenaicus</i>	A Sheep's Sorrel	Common
<i>Rumex bucephalophorus</i>	Fiddle Dock	Frequent
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curled Dock	Liamone estuary
<i>Rumex pulcher</i>	Fiddle Dock	Waste places
Portulacaceae	Purslane Family	
<i>Portulaca oleracea</i>	Common Purslane	Occasional
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Cyclamen hederifolium</i> subsp. <i>hederifolium</i>	Ivy-leaved Sowbread	Locally common
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Aconitum napellus</i> subsp. <i>corsicum</i>	A Monk's-hood	Restonica
<i>Aquilegia dumeticola</i> •	A Columbine	Foret d'Aitone. Restonica
<i>Clematis flammula</i>	Fragrant Clematis	Maquis. Common
<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	Old Man's Beard	Common
<i>Helleborus argutifolius</i> •	Corsican Hellebore	Common
<i>Ranunculus flammula</i>	Lesser Spearwort	Foret d'Aitone
<i>Ranunculus lanuginosus</i>	Woolly Buttercup	Frequent
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Creeping Buttercup	Common
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Sesamoides clusii</i>	Sesamoides	Col de Vergio
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Alchemilla alpina</i> forma. <i>corsica</i> •	Alpine Lady's-mantle	Restonica
<i>Amelanchier ovalis</i> var. <i>rhamnoides</i> •	A Juneberry	Foret d'Aitone
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	Common
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild Strawberry	Frequent
<i>Geum montanum</i>	Alpine Avens	Mountain rocks. Restonica
<i>Geum urbanum</i>	Herb Bennet	Occasional in shade

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<i>Potentilla anglica</i> subsp. <i>nesogenes</i> •	A Trailing Tormentil	Damp turf
<i>Potentilla crassinervia</i> •		Rocks. Lac de Melo
<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	Tormentil	Frequent
<i>Potentilla reptans</i>	Creeping Cinqufoil	Common. Waste places
<i>Potentilla rupestris</i> var. <i>pygmaea</i> •	Rock Cinqufoil	Occasional. Mountains
<i>Poterium sanguisorba</i>	Salad Burnet	Common
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Wild Cherry	Occasional
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	Blackthorn	Frequent.
<i>Pyrus spinosa</i>	Almond-leaved Pear	Frequent. Maquis
<i>Rosa agrestis</i>	Small-leaved Sweet-briar	Frequent
<i>Rosa canina</i>	Dog-rose	Roadsides
<i>Rosa sempervirens</i>	Evergreen Rose	Roadsides
<i>Rubus ulmifolius</i>	A Bramble	Common
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> subsp. <i>praemorsa</i> •	Corsican Rowan	Restonica
<i>Sorbus domestica</i>	Service-tree	Spelunca
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Cruciata laevipes</i>	Crosswort	Frequent
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	Occasional
<i>Galium mollugo</i> subsp. <i>erectum</i>	Hedge Bedstraw	Occasional
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	Sweet Woodruff	Spelunca
<i>Galium rotundifolium</i>	Round-leaved Bedstraw	Spelunca
<i>Galium scabrum</i>		Shaded maquis
<i>Galium verum</i>	Lady's Bedstraw	Occasional
<i>Rubia peregrina</i>	Wild Madder	Forests and maquis
<i>Sherardia arvensis</i>	Field Madder	Spelunca
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
<i>Populus alba</i>	White Poplar	Frequent
<i>Populus nigra</i>	Black Poplar	Frequent
<i>Populus tremula</i>	Aspen	Occasional
<i>Salix alba</i>	White Willow	Common
<i>Salix cinerea</i> subsp. <i>oleifolia</i>	Grey Willow	Common
<i>Salix purpurea</i>	Purple Willow	Damp places
Santalaceae	Sandalwood Family	
<i>Osyris alba</i>	Osyris	Maquis
Saxifragaceae	Saxifrage Family	
<i>Saxifraga pedemontana</i> subsp. <i>cervicornis</i> •	A Piedmont Saxifrage	Shaded mountain rocks
<i>Saxifraga rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Saxifrage	Shaded damp places
<i>Saxifraga stellaris</i>	Starry Saxifrage	Wet places. Restonica
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Cymbalaria muralis</i> ‡	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	Walls. Calvi
<i>Digitalis purpurea</i> subsp. <i>gyspergerae</i> •	Foxglove	Common
<i>Linaria vulgaris</i> ‡	Common Toadflax	Corte
<i>Odontites lutea</i>	Yellow Odontites	Locally common. Maquis
<i>Scrophularia canina</i>	French Figwort	Rocky slopes
<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i>	Wavy-leaved Mullein	Restonica. Vecchio
<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	Great Mullein	Occasional
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	Wall Speedwell	Frequent
<i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>	Pale Speedwell	Ruderal

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<i>Veronica hederifolia</i>	Ivy-leaved Speedwell	Ruderal
<i>Veronica officinalis</i>	Heath Speedwell	Foret d'Aitone
<i>Veronica persica</i> ‡	Common Speedwell	Occasional
Simaroubaceae	Tree-of-heaven Family	
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i> ‡	Tree-of-heaven	Widespread
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
<i>Atropa belladonna</i>	Deadly Nightshade	Foretd'Aitone, Vizzavona
<i>Datura stramonium</i> ‡	Thornapple	Ruderal. Alien
<i>Nicotiana glauca</i> ‡	Shrub Tobacco	Roadsides. Alien
<i>Solanum nigrum</i>	Black Nightshade	Waste ground
Tamaricaceae	Tamarisk family	
<i>Tamarix africana</i>	Tamarisk	Near coasts
Thymelaeaceae	Mezereon Family	
<i>Daphne gnidium</i>	Mediterranean Mezereon	Widespread in maquis
Tiliaceae	Lime Family	
<i>Tilia cordata</i>	Small-leaved Lime	Occasional
<i>Tilia platyphyllos</i> ‡	Broad-leaved Lime	Planted
Ulmaceae	Elm Family	
<i>Celtis australis</i> ‡	European Nettle Tree	Planted
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-Wall	Walls and rocks
<i>Urtica atrovirens</i> •	A Nettle	Evisa. Verghello
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle	Waste places
Valerianaceae	Valerian Family	
<i>Centranthus ruber</i> ‡	Red Valerian	Garden escape
<i>Valeriana rotundifolia</i> var. <i>rotundifolia</i> •	Round-leaved Valerian	Restonica
Verbenaceae	Vervain Family	
<i>Lantana camara</i> ‡	Lantana	Cultivated
<i>Verbena officinalis</i>	Vervain	Roadsides
Violaceae	Violet Family	
<i>Viola biflora</i>	Yellow Wood Violet	Shaded wet places
<i>Viola corsica</i> •	Corsican Violet	Restonica
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	Common Dog-violet	Frequent
Vitaceae	Vine Family	
<i>Vitis vinifera</i> subsp. <i>sylvestris</i>	Wild Vine	Spelunca
Zygophyllaceae	Caltrop Family	
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	Maltese Cross	Waste places

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LILIIDAE	MONOCOTYLEDONS	
Amaryllidaceae	Daffodil Family	
<i>Acis rosea</i> •	Pink Snowflake	Calanche de Piana
<i>Pancratium illyricum</i>	Illyrian Sea Daffodil	Local. Shaded damp places
Araceae	Lords-and-Ladies Family	
<i>Arisarum vulgare</i>	Friar's Cowl	Shaded maquis
<i>Arum italicum</i>	Italian Lords-and-Ladies	Near habitation
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
<i>Agave americana</i> ‡	Centuryplant	Cultivated
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	Mediterranean Wild Asparagus	Maquis
<i>Asparagus albus</i>	White Asparagus	Maquis
<i>Charybdis maritima</i>	Sea Squill	Frequent
<i>Leopoldia comosa</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Frequent
<i>Prospero autumnale</i>	Autumn Squill	Locally common
<i>Ruscus aculeatus</i>	Butcher's-broom	Shaded maquis
Colchicaceae	Meadow Saffron Family	
<i>Colchicum neapolitanum</i>	A Meadow Saffron	Frequent
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
<i>Carex pendula</i>	Pendulous Sedge	Common
Dioscoreaceae	Yam Family	
<i>Tamus communis</i>	Black Bryony	Shaded maquis
Juncaceae	Rush Family	
<i>Juncus acutus</i>	Sharp Rush	Frequent
Nartheciaceae	Bog Asphodel Family	
<i>Narthecium reverchonii</i> •	Corsican Bog Asphodel	Wet rocks
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
<i>Spiranthes spiralis</i>	Autumn Lady's-tresses	Occasional in maquis
Poaceae	Grass Family	
<i>Aegilops geniculata</i>	Ovate Goat-grass	Occasional
<i>Ammophila arenaria</i>	Marram	Sand dunes
<i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i> subsp. <i>sardoum</i> •	A False Oat-grass	Frequent
<i>Arundo donax</i> ‡	Giant Reed	Wet places. Lowland
<i>Avena barbata</i>	Bristle Oat	Ruderal
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	Barren Oat	Ruderal
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Greater Quaking-grass	Dry places
<i>Briza minor</i>	Lesser Quaking-grass	Waste places
<i>Bromus diandrus</i>	Great Brome	Frequent
<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	Soft Brome	Frequent
<i>Bromus madritensis</i>	Mediterranean Brome	Common
<i>Bromus sterilis</i>	Barren Brome	Frequent
<i>Calamagrostis varia</i> subsp. <i>corsica</i> •	A Small-reed	Streamsides
<i>Catapodium marinum</i>	Sea Fern-grass	Sand dunes
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	Fern-grass	Common

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<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Bermuda Grass	Dry places
<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i>	Rough Dog's-tail	Mountains
<i>Deschampsia flexuosa</i>	Wavy Hair-grass	Roadsides
<i>Hordeum murinum</i>	Wall Barley	Dry places
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>	Hare's-tail Grass	Dry places
<i>Lamarkia aurea</i>	Golden Dog's-tail	Dry places
<i>Nardus stricta</i>	Mat-grass	Mountain grassland
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	Wet areas
<i>Poa alpina</i>	Alpine Meadow-grass	Mountains
<i>Poa annua</i>	Annual Meadow-grass	Pathways
Posidoniaceae	Neptune Grass Family	
<i>Posidonia oceanica</i>	Neptune Grass	Sub-marine
Smilacaceae	Smilax Family	
<i>Smilax aspera</i>	Common Smilax	Common in maquis
Typhaceae	Bulrush Family	
<i>Typha latifolia</i>	Greater Reed Mace	Liamone estuary
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Asphodel Family	
<i>Asphodelus ramosus</i>	Branched Asphodel	Common
Zosteraceae	Eelgrass Family	
<i>Zostera marina</i>	Eelgrass	Sub-marine

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

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			20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>			✓					
2	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>					✓		✓	
3	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>							✓	
4	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>			✓				✓	
5	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>			✓				✓	
6	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>							✓	
7	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>							✓	
8	Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>							✓	
10	Bearded Vulture	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>						✓		
11	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>							✓	
12	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	H		
13	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>			✓			✓		
14	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓	
15	Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>							H	
16	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>							✓	
17	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>							✓	
18	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>							✓	
19	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓		✓				✓	
20	Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>			H		✓	✓		
22	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓
23	Eurasian Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>		H					H	

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24	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>						✓		
25	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
26	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>		✓	✓	H	✓	H	✓	✓
27	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
30	Coal Tit	<i>Periparus ater</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
31	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
32	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
33	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>		✓	✓					
34	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>			✓	✓			✓	
35	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓		
36	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>			✓					
38	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		✓		✓		✓		
39	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			✓	✓			✓	
40	Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>		✓						
41	Dartford Warbler	<i>Sylvia undata</i>					✓			
42	Marmora's Warbler	<i>Sylvia sarda</i>			✓				H	
43	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>			✓		✓	✓		
44	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>			H	H	H	✓		
45	Corsican Nuthatch •	<i>Sitta whiteheadi</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓		
46	Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>		H	✓	✓	✓	✓		
47	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>				✓				
48	Spotless Starling	<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
49	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>								
51	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			✓	H	H	✓	H	
52	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	✓		✓				✓	
53	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>							✓	
54	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>				✓		✓		
55	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>		✓			✓	✓		
56	Italian Sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
57	Alpine Accentor	<i>Prunella collaris</i>						✓		
58	Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava flava</i>			✓					
59	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	✓				✓	✓	✓	
60	Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓		
61	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
62	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>						✓		
63	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>			✓					
64	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓		✓			✓	
65	Corsican Finch •	<i>Carduelis corsicana</i>			✓	✓	✓			
66	Corsican Crossbill •	<i>Loxia curvirostra corsicana</i>			✓		✓	✓		
67	Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>								
68	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>			✓				✓	
69	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirius</i>	✓	✓				H		

Mammals (‡ = introduced; E = Evidence of; D = Dead)

1	Red Fox ‡	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>						D	D	
2	Pine Marten‡	<i>Martes martes</i>				E	E			
3	Rabbit ‡	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>			E			✓		

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Reptiles (• = endemic to Corsica)

1	Moorish Gecko	<i>Tarentola mauritanica</i>							✓	
2	Bedriaga's Rock Lizard •	<i>Archaeolacerta bedriagae</i>			✓					
3	Tyrrhenian Wall Lizard •	<i>Podarcis tiliguerta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	Italian Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis sicula</i>							✓	
5	Western Whip Snake	<i>Hierophis viridiflavus</i>		✓						

Amphibians

1	Tyrrhenian Painted Frog •	<i>Discoglossus sardus</i>					✓			
2	Tyrrhenian Tree Frog •	<i>Hyla sarda</i>				✓	✓		✓	
3	Italian Pool Frog ‡	<i>Rana bergeri</i>			✓					

Butterflies (L = larva)

1	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>	✓		✓	✓			✓	
2	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>							✓	
3	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea faillae</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Purple Hairstreak	<i>Quercusia quercus</i>		✓						
6	Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
7	Lang's Short-tailed Blue	<i>Syntarucus pirithous</i>			✓	✓			✓	
8	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
9	Brown Argus	<i>Aricia agestis</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	
10	Plain Tiger	<i>Danaus chrysippus</i>			✓					
11	Two-tailed Pasha	<i>Charaxes jasius</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	
12	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>							✓	
13	Painted Lady	<i>Cynthia cardui</i>							✓	
14	Silver-washed Fritillary	<i>Argynnis paphia</i>		✓		✓				
15	Cardinal	<i>Pandoriana pandora</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓		
16	Southern Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria aegeria</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	Corsican Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	Corsican Heath	<i>Coenonympha corinna</i>			✓	✓	✓			
19	Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>				✓				
20	Gatekeeper	<i>Pyronia tithonus</i>			✓					
21	Meadow Brown	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>			✓				✓	
22	Great Banded Grayling	<i>Brintesia circe</i>							✓	
23	Southern Grayling	<i>Hipparchia aristaeus</i>			✓	✓	✓			
24	Mallow Skipper	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i>				✓			✓	
25	Oberthur's Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus armoricanus</i>			✓					

Moths

1	Humming-bird Hawk-moth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>		✓		✓			✓	
2	Pine Processionary Moth	<i>Thaumetopoea pityocampa</i>			L	L				

Dragonflies

1	Island Bluetail •	<i>Ischnura genei</i>		✓	✓				✓	
2	Southern Hawker	<i>Aeshna cyanea</i>		✓			✓	✓		
3	Broad-bodied Chaser	<i>Libellula depressa</i>			✓					
4	Common Darter	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>	✓		✓			✓	✓	

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5	Scarlet Darter	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>			✓				✓	

Other Insects

1	Red-winged Grasshopper	<i>Oedipoda germanica</i>			✓					
2	Blue-winged Grasshopper	<i>Oedipoda caerulescens</i>			✓		✓			
3	Egyptian Grasshopper	<i>Anacridium aegyptium</i>	✓						✓	
4	Nosed Grasshopper	<i>Acrida ungarica</i>							✓	
5	Hornet	<i>Vespa crabro</i>	✓						✓	
6	Long-horned General	<i>Stratiomys longicornis</i>							L	



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