

# The French Pyrenees

Naturetrek Tour Report

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*Androsace villosa*



Cirque de Gavarnie



*Daphne cneorum*



*Narcissus bicolor*

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## Day 1

### Wednesday 6th June

Arriving in Lourdes, in the late afternoon, we loaded our minibuses and set off towards the High Pyrenees. Just beyond Luz-Saint-Sauveur, we made a short stop at the Pont Napoleon, the impressive bridge spanning the narrow gorge of the Gave de Pau. It was built at the request of Napoleon III, after he and the Empress Eugenie stayed at the Spa, in 1859. An interesting range of plants, growing on the cliffs, included the endemic *Ramonda myconi*, Pyrenean Saxifrage *Saxifraga longifolia* and the delicate Smooth Spleenwort *Asplenium fontanum*. We had excellent views of our first Crag Martins, as they flew just below the bridge. Continuing up the valley, we were soon at our hotel, in the quiet village of Gedre, and looking forward to the week ahead.

## Day 2

### Thursday 7th June

We awoke to a clear morning, with high cloud over the summits. Even before leaving the hotel, we had excellent views of raptors, circling the crags across the valley. These included Griffon Vultures, a Golden Eagle and no less than five Bearded Vultures. We watched these for over an hour, before heading off up the Heas Valley. Roadside stops enabled us to familiarise ourselves with the local flora. Deep-blue Common Columbine *Aquilegia vulgaris* was prominent and a range of orchids included Early-purple Orchid *Orchis mascula*, Sword-leaved Helleborine *Cephalanthera longifolia* and both colour forms of Elder-flowered Orchid *Dactylorhiza sambucina*. Walking up the road towards the Barrage des Gloriettes, we found the white flowers of Alpine Pasqueflower *Pulsatilla alpina* subsp. *alpina*, the multi-flowered Narcissus-flowered Anemone *Anemone narcissiflora* and the pale-blue globes of Leafless-stemmed Globularia *Globularia nudicaulis*.

We took a break for lunch, near the dam, before setting off to walk around it. Shrubs of Snowy Mespilus *Amelanchier ovalis* and Wild Cotoneaster *Cotoneaster integerrimus* were in flower, along the rocky shore and the bold spires of White Asphodel *Asphodelus albus* were scattered across the damp hillsides. Here and there we saw the pendant bells of Pyrenean Snakeshead *Fritillaria pyrenaica*, attractively chequered on their inside, including one or two with, unusual, pure yellow flowers. Up to this point, the underlying geology consisted of the ice-smoothed, acidic and impermeable basement rocks of the region; hence the dam. Above us were high limestone cliffs and a jumble of fallen boulders at their feet hosted a very different flora, with exquisite little rock gardens, studded with silver rosettes of Pyrenean Saxifrage, exquisite cushions of *Androsace villosa* and dwarf rock-hugging shrubs, such as Creeping Globularia *Globularia repens* and Dwarf Buckthorn *Rhamnus pumilus*. Wet flushes provided intense splashes of colour from Marsh Marigold *Caltha palustris*, Bird's-eye Primrose *Primula farinosa* and Large-flowered Butterwort *Pinguicula grandiflora* and where snow had only recently receded there were eye-catching clumps of the trumpet daffodil *Narcissus bicolor*. A pair of Dippers patrolled the river and we glimpsed a distant Pyrenean Chamois, our only sighting of the trip. We completed a circular walk to the car park and were soon back at the hotel and looking forward to barbecued sheep for dinner, a long-established family tradition.

## Day 3

### Friday 8th June

The day looked promising and in perfect weather we set off on our longest walk of the week into the Cirque de Gavarnie, famous for some of the most impressive scenery in the Pyrenees. The meadows were buzzing with insects and enlivened by colourful flowers such as Yellow Rattle *Rhinanthus minor*, *Geranium phaeum* and the pale-

blue, endemic, Horned Pansy *Viola cornuta*. We paused, a while, to enjoy the amazing vista ahead of us and had good views of Yellowhammer and Citril Finch. A gentle walk through the forest revealed another range of plants, including Irish Spurge *Euphorbia hyberna*, Pyrenean Squill *Scilla lilio-hyacinthus* and the nodding flowers of One-flowered Wintergreen *Moneses uniflora*. We had a steep climb through the pine forest, where we were managed to glimpse a few Crested Tit, and eventually reached the entrance to the Cirque.

We found a convenient place to enjoy our picnic, in the company of Alpine Chough which were very happy to finish our leftovers and give us great photo opportunities, in the process. We adjourned to the hotel for refreshments, before the second half of the day's adventure. We followed an airy path, high above the valley, which threaded its way below the cliffs. The pale blue Spring Squill *Scilla verna* was common and we found lovely flowering specimens of Liverleaf *Hepatica nobilis*, a sure indication that the snow had not long melted. Long-leaved Butterwort *Pinguicula longifolia* was another highlight, its long sticky fly-paper leaves of pale green contrasting with deep-purple flowers. In the screes were the trailing shoots of Pyrenean Yam *Dioscorea pyrenaica*, one of the more unusual endemic plants of the region and nearby the diminutive *Aquilegia pyrenaica*. This year's walk proved to be a little more challenging than usual, as we had to negotiate a way around a couple of old avalanches, that barred our route. The path emerged in a lovely green forest clearing at the Auberge de Pailla, our highest point, at 1800 metres. The clouds had been descending during the afternoon and we had light rain for our remaining walk, down the zigzag path into the valley and back to Gedre.

## Day 4

## Saturday 9th June

Cloud hung over the high peaks and we had a morning of occasional showers. Below Gedre we made several stops to examine the road-side flowers, finding the somewhat uncommon Round-leaved Restharrow *Ononis rotundifolia*, a bank of St Bernard's Lily *Anthericum liliago*, Bloody Crane's-bill *Geranium sanguineum* and the pale-lemon shrubby Rock Snapdragon *Antirrhinum sempervirens*, another endemic of these mountains. While we did the shopping, we took the opportunity of a morning coffee break in Luz, before continuing down into the lower valley, beside the river. Much of habitat, down here, has been converted to farmland but we did find a substantial colony of the very variable Woodcock Orchid *Ophrys scolopax*, and fine specimens of Pyramidal Orchid *Anacamptis pyramidalis*, in a patch of unimproved grassland, where insects included Great Green Bush-cricket, Bee Beetle and Robin's Pincushion, the familiar rose gall, caused by a tiny red and black gall wasp. A picnic area, beside the broad Gave de Pau, provided benches and a convenient spot for lunch.

By now, the weather looked a little more promising and we took the road, up through Cauterets, to the car park at Pont d'Espagne, passing a series of spectacular waterfalls. The upper part of the valley was still shrouded in cloud, so we contented ourselves with a gentle walk around the Marcadeau Valley. The area is composed of granite and was heavily glaciated, giving rise to a very dramatic landscape. Dense forests of Scots Pine and Silver Fir dominate the landscape and the steep valley sides are scarred by avalanche-chutes and boulder screes, left behind by the melting ice. The valley bottom is littered with ice-smoothed roche moutonees and crossed by braided streams, ideal habitat for Dippers. In addition, we saw Ring Ouzel, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Firecrest and Coal Tit but the undoubted highlight, for us, was watching the feeding flocks of Citril Finch. The pink-flowered Radish-leaved Bittercress *Cardamine raphanifolia*, endemic to the region, formed large, luxuriant patches, alongside bubbling springs in the valley floor, along with the sticky glandular leaves of Round-leaved Sundew *Drosera rotundifolia*. On our return journey we stopped to see the interesting old railway station in Cauterets and the 12th century romanesque church of Saint Andre, in Soulom.

## Day 5

Sunday 10th June

Ominously, the local weather forecast had issued a yellow warning of heavy rain, so we opted for a walk around the upper village, Gedre Dessus. The south-facing slopes provide a favoured habitat for a range of species, not found commonly at such an altitude, in the region, and we had a rewarding morning, despite the rain, making lots of interesting new discoveries. Notable plants included Large Mediterranean Spurge *Euphorbia characias*, far from its usual home, flowering plants of Pyrenean Germander *Teucrium pyrenaicum*, the curious pale-brown hyacinth-relative *Dipcadi serotinum* and Tassel Hyacinth *Leopoldia comosa*. Large flocks of Crag Martin flew low overhead. A spell of heavy rain and rumbles of thunder drove us back to the hotel to dry off and rethink the rest of the day.

We set off again, around 12.30pm, and drove into the delightful Ossoue Valley. Heavy rain prevented us from leaving the vehicles until around 2.00pm, when a dry window allowed us a stop to enjoy our surroundings and have a bite to eat. We were in an open treeless part of the valley with a broad meandering stream bordered by wet pastures. Yellow lines of Marsh Marigold lit up the scene but, owing to the late season, the vast numbers of Broad-leaved Marsh-orchid *Dactylorhiza majalis* were still in bud. Upland birds included Red-backed Shrike, Linnet, Stonechat, plenty of Northern Wheatear and our first Water Pipit and Rock Bunting, whilst, overhead, we were treated to good views of a couple of Bearded Vultures and the odd Griffon. We continued up the valley, as far as the Barrage d'Ossoue, stopping to see the tiny Rush-leaved Daffodil *Narcissus assoanus*. The dam provides water storage for hydro-electric power generation but because of the considerable amount of melting snow, there was a spectacular flow over the dam wall. We made a short walk from here, to take in the solitude of the upper valley, much of it hidden under a veil of cloud, but when rain returned, we decided to call it a day.

## Day 6

Monday 11th June

The day started dry, with sunny spells and we enjoyed watching the raptor display from the hotel, today seeing Griffon Vulture, Bearded Vulture, Common Buzzard, Peregrine and two Short-toed Snake Eagles. Our objective was to visit the Cirque de Troumouse but we were already aware that the road was still impassable. We drove, as far as The Auberge du Maillet, at 1837 metres, where a morning coffee break was very welcome. The high snow-streaked limestone cliffs, above us, make an impressive backdrop to a patrolling Bearded Vulture and, surprisingly, a Red Kite. We were able to drive as far as the first snowdrifts, before continuing to the Cirque, on foot. Early flowers included the familiar *Daphne laureola* and *Daphne mezereum*, the white-eyed pink flowers of Hairy Primrose *Primula hirsuta* and the pendant frilled bells of *Soldanella alpina*. When we reached the Cirque, cloud hung low over the cliffs and denied us the best views, but we could appreciate its enormous size, nevertheless. There were still huge drifts of snow but where they had melted there were myriads of white Pyrenean Buttercup *Ranunculus pyrenaicus*. Our target bird up here was Alpine Accentor, but we managed only the briefest of glimpses. It rained, off and on, for most of the morning, but we were able to enjoy a drier interlude for lunch, amongst a flock of the local sheep.

Back in the valley, we made a visit to the little hamlet of Heas, with its quaint packhorse bridge and historic church, a timeless place that has changed little in centuries. The unimproved meadows had Globeflower *Trollius europaeus*, *Viola cornuta*, the pale-blue Pyrenean Hyacinth *Brimeura amethystina* and superb specimens of Lesser Butterfly-orchid *Platanthera bifolia*, nearby. For the rest of the afternoon, we visited the Plateau de Sauge, above

Gedre, and wandered through the colourful meadows, ignoring the mist and rain. We mused that flowers often look better in the rain!

## Day 7

Tuesday 12th June

We had more intermittent rain for much of the day, but, determined that this would not entirely spoil our explorations, we took the road past the ski resort, above Gavarnie, to the Col des Tentes. There was still a lot of lying snow, but the easy trail towards the Spanish border was largely clear. On the slopes, there were lots of the silver-leaved Pyrenean Thistle *Carduus carlinoides*, patches of Pygmy Hawk's-beard *Crepis pygmaea*, beautiful flowering plants of Alpine Toadflax *Linaria alpina* and the vivid yellow Primula-relative *Vitaliana primuliflora* subsp. *canescens*. Few birds were braving the elements, but we had better views of Alpine Accentor and an all too brief glimpse of White-winged Snowfinch. We turned back, just short of the Col, where the trail was blocked by snow and retraced our steps to the comfort of the vehicles.

After a coffee break in Gavarnie, we returned to the lower half of the Ossoue Valley, where we had lunch below its huge limestone cliffs. We spent the rest of the mostly dry afternoon, walking through the meadows and into St Savin's Wood, on the far bank of the river and were back in Gedre for 5.00pm.

## Day 8

Wednesday 13th June

Our return flight from Lourdes was not until late afternoon but with continuing bad weather and doubts over the road conditions, we left Gedre, mid-morning, after thanking Odile and Phillipe for their wonderful hospitality. We stopped for a break, in Luz-Saint-Sauveur, for coffee, souvenirs and refuelling. Crowds were gathering on the bridge to watch the considerable amount of floodwater that had already washed away a retaining wall and was threatening, nearby houses. We still had plenty of time, in hand, as we neared the airport, so we made a short diversion at Ade and enjoyed a gentle walk in some very nice mature oak woodland.

Sadly, our week in the Pyrenees was over. In spite of the late spring and the fairly miserable conditions in the latter half of the week, we had enjoyed a lovely cross-section of its wildlife and scenery.

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## Species Lists

Plants (• = endemic to the Pyrenees; † = cultivated or naturalised)

Latin name	Common name	Notes
<b>PTERIDOPHYTES</b>	<b>FERNS AND FERN ALLIES</b>	
<b>Aspleniaceae</b>	<b>Spleenwort Family</b>	
<i>Asplenium ceterach</i>	Rustyback	Occasional on rocks
<i>Asplenium fontanum</i>	Smooth Spleenwort	Pont Napoleon
<i>Asplenium ruta-muraria</i>	Wall-rue	Rocks and walls
<i>Asplenium septentrionale</i>	Forked Spleenwort	Boulders and scree
<i>Asplenium trichomanes</i>	Maidenhair Spleenwort	Rocks and walls
<i>Asplenium viride</i>	Green Spleenwort	Shaded mountain rocks
<b>Blechnaceae</b>	<b>Hard-fern Family</b>	
<i>Blechnum spicant</i>	Hard-fern	Acidic soils
<b>Dennstaedtiaceae</b>	<b>Bracken Family</b>	
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken	Widespread
<b>Dryopteridaceae</b>	<b>Buckler-fern Family</b>	
<i>Dryopteris affinis</i>	Scaly Male-fern	Woods
<i>Dryopteris dilatata</i>	Broad Buckler-fern	Forest. Pont d'Espagne
<i>Dryopteris expansa</i>	Northern Buckler-fern	Acidic scree
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	Male-fern	Forest and shady places
<i>Dryopteris oreades</i>	Mountain Male-fern	Acidic scree
<i>Dryopteris submontana</i>	Rigid Buckler-fern	Limestone fissures
<i>Polystichum aculeatum</i>	Hard Shield-fern	Common. Woods
<i>Polystichum lonchitis</i>	Holly-fern	Limestone rocks
<b>Equisetaceae</b>	<b>Horsetail Family</b>	
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Field Horsetail	Common
<i>Equisetum palustre</i>	Marsh Horsetail	Wet acidic pasture
<b>Lycopodiaceae</b>	<b>Clubmoss Family</b>	
<i>Huperzia selago</i>	Fir Clubmoss	Acidic mountain pasture
<b>Polypodiaceae</b>	<b>Polypody Family</b>	
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i>	Southern Polypody	Rocks. Pont Napoleon
<i>Polypodium vulgare</i>	Common Polypody	Occasional. Rocks
<b>Pteridaceae</b>	<b>Maidenhair Fern Family</b>	
<i>Cryptogramma crispa</i>	Parsley Fern	Acidic boulder scree
<b>Selaginellaceae</b>	<b>Lesser Clubmoss Family</b>	
<i>Selaginella selaginoides</i>	Lesser Clubmoss	Damp turf. Troumouse
<b>Thelypteridaceae</b>	<b>Marsh Fern Family</b>	
<i>Gymnocarpium dryopteris</i>	Oak Fern	Common in shade
<i>Phegopteris connectilis</i>	Beech Fern	Frequent in shade
<b>Woodsiaceae</b>	<b>Lady-fern Family</b>	
<i>Athyrium distentifolium</i>	Alpine Lady-fern	Mountain rocks

Latin name	Common name	Notes
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	Lady-fern	Common
<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Brittle Bladder-fern	Rocks and walls
<i>Cystopteris montana</i>	Mountain Bladder-fern	Pont d'Espagne
<b>GYMNOSPERMS</b>	<b>CONIFERS</b>	
<b>Cupressaceae</b>	<b>Cypress Family</b>	
<i>Juniperus communis</i> subsp. <i>alpina</i>	Common Juniper	Mountains
<b>Pinaceae</b>	<b>Pine Family</b>	
<i>Abies alba</i>	European Silver-fir	Mountain forests
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	Scots Pine	Montane forests
<i>Pinus uncinata</i>	Mountain Pine	Subalpine slopes
<b>Taxaceae</b>	<b>Yew Family</b>	
<i>Taxus baccata</i>	Yew	St. Savin's Wood
<b>ANGIOSPERMS</b>	<b>FLOWERING PLANTS</b>	
	<b>DICOTYLEDONS</b>	
<b>Adoxaceae</b>	<b>Moschatel Family</b>	
<i>Sambucus ebulus</i>	Dwarf Elder	Streamsides. Lowland
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Common Elder	Woods
<i>Sambucus racemosa</i>	Alpine Elder	Mountains
<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	Wayfaring-tree	Woods. Occasional
<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	Guelder-rose	Woods. Occasional
<b>Amaranthaceae</b>	<b>Goosefoot Family</b>	
<i>Chenopodium bonus-henricus</i>	Good-King-Henry	Disturbed places
<b>Apiaceae</b>	<b>Carrot Family</b>	
<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	Ground Elder	Occasional
<i>Angelica razulii</i> •	Pyrenean Angelica	Rocky places
<i>Angelica sylvestris</i>	Wild Angelica	Occasional. Wet places
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	Cow Parsley	Common
<i>Astrantia major</i>	Astrantia	Frequent
<i>Astrantia minor</i>	Lesser Astrantia	Acidic rocks
<i>Bupleurum angulosum</i> •	Angular Hare's-ear	Occasional. Limestone rocks
<i>Chaerophyllum aureum</i>	Golden Chervil	Occasional
<i>Conopodium pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Pignut	Meadows
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Wild Carrot	Roadsides
<i>Eryngium bourgatii</i>	Pyrenean Eryngo	Common
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i> subsp. <i>pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Hogweed	Frequent
<i>Laserpitium gallicum</i>	French Sermountain	Scree
<i>Laserpitium latifolium</i>	Broad-leaved Sermountain	Scree
<i>Laserpitium siler</i>	Narrow-leaved Sermountain	Scree and meadows
<i>Pimpinella major</i>	Greater Burnet-saxifrage	Meadows
<i>Pimpinella saxifraga</i>	Burnet-saxifrage	Meadows
<i>Seseli libanotis</i>	Moon Carrot	Rocky banks
<b>Apocynaceae</b>	<b>Dogbane Family</b>	
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i>	Swallow-wort	Rocky pasture

Latin name	Common name	Notes
<b>Aquifoliaceae</b> <i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	<b>Holly Family</b> Holly	Occasional in forest
<b>Araliaceae</b> <i>Hedera helix</i>	<b>Ivy Family</b> Ivy	Common
<b>Asteraceae</b> <i>Achillea millefolium</i> <i>Adenostyles alliariae</i> <i>Antennaria dioica</i> <i>Bellis perennis</i> <i>Carduus carlinoides</i> • <i>Carduus defloratus</i> <i>Carduus nutans</i> <i>Carlina acaulis</i> <i>Carlina acanthifolia</i> subsp. <i>cynara</i> <i>Carlina vulgaris</i> <i>Centaurea montana</i> <i>Centaurea nigra</i> <i>Cichorium intybus</i> <i>Cirsium eriophorum</i> <i>Cirsium heterophyllum</i> <i>Cirsium palustre</i> <i>Cirsium rivulare</i> <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> <i>Crepis albida</i> <i>Crepis paludosa</i> <i>Crepis pygmaea</i> <i>Crepis pyrenaica</i> <i>Hieracium pilosella</i> <i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i> <i>Lactuca perennis</i> <i>Lapsana communis</i> <i>Leontodon pyrenaicus</i> <i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i> <i>Leucanthemopsis alpina</i> <i>Mycelis muralis</i> <i>Petasites paradoxus</i> <i>Picris hieracioides</i> <i>Prenanthes purpurea</i> <i>Solidago virgaurea</i> <i>Sonchus asper</i> <i>Sonchus arvensis</i> <i>Tanacetum corymbosum</i> <i>Taraxacum alpinum</i> <i>Taraxacum dissectum</i> <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> <i>Tragopogon pratensis</i> <i>Tussilago farfara</i>	<b>Daisy Family</b> Yarrow Adenostyles Mountain Everlasting Daisy Pyrenean Thistle Alpine Thistle Nodding Thistle Stemless Carline Thistle Acanthus-leaved Thistle Common Carline Thistle Mountain Cornflower Knapweed Chicory Woolly Thistle Melancholy Thistle Marsh Thistle Brook Thistle Spear Thistle A Hawk's-beard Marsh Hawk's-beard Pygmy Hawk's-beard Pyrenean Hawk's-beard Mouse-ear Hawkweed Ragwort Blue Lettuce Nipplewort Pyrenean Hawkbit Ox-eye Daisy Alpine Moon-daisy Wall Lettuce Alpine Butterbur Hawkweed Oxtongue Purple Lettuce Goldenrod Prickly Sow-thistle Perennial Sow-thistle Scentless Feverfew Alpine Dandelion Cut-leaved Dandelion Dandelion Goat's-beard Colt's-foot	Common in meadows Occasional. Damp places Mountain turf Widespread Mountains and screes Pasture and screes Waste places Mountain turf Pasture Mountain turf Occasional in meadows Meadows and roadsides Roadsides. Val de Jeret Grazed turf and waste places Damp meadows Wet streamsides Damp acidic pasture Wet pasture Dry, sunny places Wet pasture Mountain rocks and screes Damp places Rocks and screes Occasional. Roadsides Gedre Weedy places Acidic pasture Meadows Mountain rocks Walls and waste places Streamsides Waste places Woods and forests Pont d'Espagne Waste places Waste places Roadside banks above Luz-St-Sauveur Mountains Mountains Common Meadows and roadsides Streamsides
<b>Berberidaceae</b> <i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	<b>Barberry Family</b> Common Barberry	Rocky hillsides



Latin name	Common name	Notes
<b>Betulaceae</b>		
<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>	<b>Birch Family</b> Common Alder	Riversides
<i>Betula pendula</i>	Silver Birch	Forests
<i>Betula pubescens</i>	Downy Birch	Mountains
<b>Boraginaceae</b>		
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	<b>Borage Family</b> Viper's Bugloss	Roadsides
<i>Myosotis alpestris</i>	Alpine Forget-me-not	Mountain meadows
<i>Myosotis arvensis</i>	Field Forget-me-not	Waste places
<i>Myosotis laxa</i>	Tufted Forget-me-not	Damp places
<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i>	Wood Forget-me-not	Grassland and woods
<i>Pulmonaria affinis</i>	A Lungwort	Common in woods
<b>Brassicaceae</b>		
<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	<b>Cabbage Family</b> Thale Cress	Common
<i>Arabis alpina</i>	Alpine Rock-cress	Damp alpine rocks
<i>Arabis hirsuta</i>	Hairy Rock-cress	Dry rocky places
<i>Biscutella laevigata</i>	Buckler Mustard	Mountain rocks
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's-purse	Waste places
<i>Cardamine amara</i>	Large Bitter-cress	Wet flushes. Val de Jeret
<i>Cardamine flexuosa</i>	Wood Bitter-cress	Woods
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy Bitter-cress	Waste places
<i>Cardamine impatiens</i>	Narrow-leaved Bitter-cress	Damp shady places
<i>Cardamine pratensis</i>	Lady's Smock	Damp places
<i>Cardamine raphanifolia</i> •	Radish-leaved Bitter-cress	Streamsides
<i>Cardamine resedifolia</i>	Reseda-leaved Bitter-cress	Mountain turf and rocks
<i>Clypeola jonthlaspi</i>	Clypeola	Gedre Dessus
<i>Descurainia sophia</i>	Flixweed	Ruderal
<i>Draba aizoides</i>	Yellow Whitlowgrass	Mountain rocks
<i>Draba dubia</i>	Austrian Whitlowgrass	Occasional. Mountain rocks
<i>Draba muralis</i>	Wall Whitlowgrass	Frequent
<i>Erophila verna</i>	Common Whilowgrass	Common
<i>Erysimum decumbens</i>	Decumbent Treacle-mustard	Rocks. Barrage des Gloriettes
<i>Hornungia alpina</i>	Chamois Cress	Alpine rocks and scree
<i>Hugueninia tanacetifolia</i>	Tansy-leaved Rocket	Occasional. Acidic rocks
<i>Iberis spathulata</i> •	Spoon-leaved Candytuft	Occasional. Rocks and gravels
<i>Kernera saxatilis</i>	Rock Kernera	Limestone rocks
<i>Pseudoturritis turrita</i>	Tower Cress	Rocky places
<i>Rhynchosinapsis cheiranthos</i>	Wallflower Cabbage	Lac des Gloriettes
<i>Sisymbrium austriacum</i>	Pyrenean Rocket	Waste places
<i>Thlaspi perfoliatum</i>	Perfoliate Penny-cress	Waste places
<b>Buxaceae</b>		
<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>	<b>Box Family</b> Box	Locally common at lower altitudes
<b>Campanulaceae</b>		
<i>Campanula scheuchzeri</i>	<b>Bellflower Family</b> Scheuchzer's Bellflower	Mountain rocks and turf
<i>Campanula trachelium</i>	Nettle-leaved Bellflower	Shady banks
<i>Jasione laevis</i>	A Sheep's-bit	Acidic screes
<i>Phyteuma pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Rampion	Meadows
<b>Caprifoliaceae</b>		
<i>Centranthus ruber</i> ‡	<b>Honeysuckle Family</b> Red Valerian	Walls

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<i>Knautia dipsacifolia</i>	Wood Scabious	Shady places
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	Common Honeysuckle	Frequent
<i>Lonicera pyrenaica</i>	Pyrenean Honeysuckle	Rocky habitats
<i>Lonicera xylosteum</i>	Fly Honeysuckle	Woods
<i>Scabiosa columbaria</i>	Small Scabious	Frequent
<i>Succisa pratensis</i>	Devil's-bit Scabious	Damp pasture
<i>Valeriana globulariifolia</i> •	Globularia-leaved Valerian	Rocks and screes
<i>Valeriana officinalis</i>	Common Valerian	Meadows
<i>Valeriana pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Valerian	Damp woodland
<i>Valeriana tripteris</i>	Three-leaved Valerian	Common. Woods and scrub
<b>Caryophyllaceae</b>	<b>Pink Family</b>	
<i>Cerastium cerastoides</i>	Starwort Mouse-ear	Rocky pasture
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear	Common
<i>Dianthus armeria</i>	Deptford Pink	Roasides in lowlands
<i>Dianthus barbatus</i> ‡	Sweet William	Garden escape
<i>Dianthus deltoides</i>	Maiden Pink	Occasional. Dry places
<i>Gypsophila repens</i>	Alpine Gypsophila	Screes and rocky turf
<i>Minuartia verna</i>	Vernal Sandwort	Rocky places
<i>Paronychia kapela</i> subsp. <i>serpyllifolia</i>	A Paronychia	Mountain rocks and turf
<i>Saponaria caespitosa</i> •	Tufted Soapwort	Rare. Limestone rocks
<i>Saponaria officinalis</i>	Soapwort	Occasional. Roadsides
<i>Scleranthus perennis</i>	Knawel	Frequent. Dry rocky places
<i>Silene acaulis</i>	Moss Champion	Alpine turf
<i>Silene alba</i>	White Champion	Roadsides
<i>Silene dioica</i>	Red Champion	Common
<i>Silene nutans</i>	Nottingham Catchfly	Locally common. Open woods and dry places
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Champion	Meadows
<i>Stellaria alsine</i>	Bog Stitchwort	Streamsides on acid soils
<i>Stellaria graminea</i>	Lesser Stitchwort	Shady places
<i>Stellaria holostea</i>	Greater Stitchwort	Woods and ditches
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed	Common
<b>Celastraceae</b>	<b>Spindle Family</b>	
<i>Parnassia palustris</i>	Grass-of-Parnassus	Frequent. Wet rocks and turf
<b>Cistaceae</b>	<b>Rockrose Family</b>	
<i>Helianthemum canum</i>	Hoary Rockrose	Screes
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> subsp. <i>grandiflorum</i>	Common Rockrose	Common. Rocky places
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> subsp. <i>pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Rockrose	Occasional. Rocky places
<b>Convolvulaceae</b>	<b>Bindweed Family</b>	
<i>Cuscuta epithymum</i>	Common Dodder	Common
<b>Cornaceae</b>	<b>Dogwood Family</b>	
<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	Common Dogwood	Lowland woodland
<b>Corylaceae</b>	<b>Hazel Family</b>	
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Hazel	Woodland
<b>Crassulaceae</b>	<b>Stonecrop Family</b>	
<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop	Rocks and walls

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<i>Sedum album</i>	White Stonecrop	Silicious rocks and walls
<i>Sedum anglicum</i>	English Stonecrop	Silicious rocks
<i>Sedum annuum</i>	Annual Stonecrop	Acid gravels. Troumouse
<i>Sedum dasyphyllum</i>	Thick-leaved Stonecrop	Rocks and walls
<i>Sedum hirsutum</i>	Hairy Stonecrop	Siicious rocks
<i>Sedum reflexum</i>	Reflexed Stonecrop	Rocky places
<i>Sedum sediforme</i>	Pale Stonecrop	Dry rocky places. Lowland
<i>Sempervivum montanum</i>	Mountain Houseleek	Limestone rocks
<i>Sempervivum tectorum</i>	Common Houseleek	Occasional. Rocks
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Navelwort	Rocks and walls
<b>Dioscoreaceae</b>	<b>Yam Family</b>	
<i>Dioscorea pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Yam	Screes. Gavarnie
<b>Droseraceae</b>	<b>Sundew Family</b>	
<i>Drosera rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Sundew	Bogs. Val de Jeret
<b>Ericaceae</b>	<b>Heather Family</b>	
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	Bearberry	Locally common
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Ling	Acidic turf
<i>Empetrum nigrum</i> subsp. <i>hermaphroditum</i>	Hermaphrodite Crowberry	Acidic turf
<i>Erica arborea</i>	Tree Heath	Common. Low altitudes
<i>Erica tetralix</i>	Cross-leaved Heath	Bogs. Val de Jeret
<i>Moneses uniflora</i>	One-flowered Wintergreen	Local. Forest
<i>Orthilia secunda</i>	Serrated Wintegreen	Local. Forest
<i>Pyrola minor</i>	Lesser Wintergreen	Local. Forest
<i>Rhododendron ferrugineum</i>	Alpenrose	Acidic pasture
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry	Woods and mountains
<i>Vaccinium uliginosum</i>	Bog Whortleberry	Acidic pasture
<b>Euphorbiaceae</b>	<b>Spurge Family</b>	
<i>Euphorbia amygdaloides</i>	Wood Spurge	Forest
<i>Euphorbia characias</i>	Large Mediterranean Spurge	Gedre Dessus
<i>Euphorbia cyparissias</i>	Cypress Spurge	Occasional. Rocky places
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	Gedre Dessus
<i>Euphorbia hyberna</i>	Irish Spurge	Woodland
<i>Mercurialis perennis</i>	Dog's Mercury	Woodland
<b>Fabaceae</b>	<b>Pea Family</b>	
<i>Anthyllis montana</i>	Mountain Kidney Vetch	Limestone rocks
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> subsp. <i>pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Kidney Vetch	Rocky places
<i>Astragalus depressus</i>	Sprawling Milk-vetch	Stony pasture
<i>Astragalus monspessulanus</i>	Montpellier Milk-vetch	Stony pasture
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Common Broom	Below Gedre
<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	Horseshoe Vetch	Common
<i>Hippocrepis emerus</i>	Scorpion Senna	Rocky banks below Gedre
<i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>	Yellow Vetchling	Grassy places. Low altitudes
<i>Lathyrus laevigatus</i> subsp. <i>occidentalis</i>	Yellow Pea	Heas Valley
<i>Lathyrus montanus</i>	Bitter Vetch	Acidic soils
<i>Lathyrus pratensis</i>	Meadow Vetchling	Meadows
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	Grassy places
<i>Lotus uliginosus</i>	Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil	Damp pasture

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<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Black Medick	Weedy places
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Lucerne	Gedre Dessus
<i>Medicago suffruticosa</i> •	Sprawling Medick	Rocky pasture
<i>Melilotus albus</i>	White Melilot	Road verges. Lowland
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	Ribbed Melilot	Road verges. Lowland
<i>Onobrychis viciifolia</i>	Sainfoin	Road verges. Lowland
<i>Ononis aragonensis</i> •	Spanish Restharrow	Damp pasture. Gavarnie
<i>Ononis fruticosa</i>	Shrubby Restharrow	Occasional
<i>Ononis natrix</i>	Large Yellow Restharrow	Occasional
<i>Ononis rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Restharrow	Rare. Below Gedre
<i>Ononis striata</i>	Yellow Restharrow	Occasional
<i>Oxytropis campestris</i>	Yellow Milk-vetch	Stony pasture
<i>Trifolium alpinum</i>	Alpine Clover	Mountain pasture
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	Gedre Dessus
<i>Trifolium incarnatum</i> ‡	Crimson Clover	Occasional
<i>Trifolium montanum</i>	Mountain Clover	Mountain pasture
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Red Clover	Meadows
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	Meadows
<i>Trifolium thalii</i>	Thal's Clover	Mountain pasture
<i>Vicia cracca</i>	Tufted Vetch	Common
<i>Vicia hirsuta</i>	Hairy Tare	Roadsides
<i>Vicia orobus</i>	Wood Bitter-vetch	Occasional
<i>Vicia pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Vetch	Common
<i>Vicia sepium</i>	Bush Vetch	Frequent
<i>Vicia sylvatica</i>	Wood Vetch	Shady places
<b>Fagaceae</b>	<b>Beech Family</b>	
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Beech	Woodland
<i>Quercus petraea</i>	Sessile Oak	Mountain woodland
<i>Quercus pyrenaica</i>	Pyrenean Oak	Common in valleys
<i>Quercus robur</i>	Common Oak	Frequent in valleys
<b>Fumariaceae</b>	<b>Fumitory Family</b>	
<i>Corydalis solida</i>	Solid-tubered Corydalis	Mountain pasture
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i>	Common Fumitory	Widespread
<b>Gentianaceae</b>	<b>Gentian Family</b>	
<i>Gentiana acaulis</i>	Trumpet Gentian	Mountain turf
<i>Gentiana alpina</i>	Alpine Gentian	Acidic mountain turf
<i>Gentiana cruciata</i>	Cross Gentian	Mountain turf
<i>Gentiana lutea</i>	Large Yellow Gentian	Gavarnie
<i>Gentiana verna</i>	Spring Gentian	Mountain turf
<b>Geraniaceae</b>	<b>Crane's-bill Family</b>	
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	Dry rocky places
<i>Geranium cinereum</i> •	Ashy Crane's-bill	Rocky places. Mountains
<i>Geranium columbinum</i>	Long-stalked Crane's-bill	Occasional
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill	Occasional. Lowland
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	Occasional
<i>Geranium phaeum</i>	Dusky Crane's-bill	Shady places
<i>Geranium pyrenaicum</i>	Pyrenean Crane's-bill	Common
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert	Rocky places
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	Round-leaved Crane's-bill	Occasional

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<i>Geranium sanguineum</i>	Bloody Crane's-bill	Rocks and scree. Heas valley
<i>Geranium sylvaticum</i>	Wood Crane's-bill	Meadows
<b>Gesneriaceae</b>	<b>Gloxinia Family</b>	
<i>Ramonda myconi</i> •	Ramonda	Shady cliffs and boulders
<b>Grossulariaceae</b>	<b>Gooseberry Family</b>	
<i>Ribes alpinum</i>	Mountain Currant	Limestone rocks
<b>Hypericaceae</b>	<b>St John's-wort Family</b>	
<i>Hypericum maculatum</i>	Imperforate St John's-wort	Damp meadows
<i>Hypericum montanum</i>	Pale St John's-wort	Occasional
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perforate St John's-wort	Occasional
<b>Juglandaceae</b>	<b>Walnut Family</b>	
<i>Juglans regia</i> ‡	Walnut	Cultivated
<b>Lamiaceae</b>	<b>Dead-nettle Family</b>	
<i>Ajuga pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Bugle	Mountain pasture
<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	Common Bugle	Widespread
<i>Betonica officinalis</i>	Betony	Occasional. Meadows
<i>Clinopodium alpinum</i>	Alpine Basil Thyme	Rocks and screes
<i>Clinopodium arvensis</i>	Basil Thyme	Occasional
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	Wild Basil	Frequent
<i>Horminum pyrenaicum</i>	Dragon-mouth	Occasional. Damp turf
<i>Lamiastrum galeobdolon</i>	Yellow Archangel	Woods
<i>Lamium album</i>	White Dead-nettle	Occasional
<i>Lamium maculatum</i>	Spotted Dead-nettle	Roadsides
<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Red Dead-nettle	Occasional
<i>Mentha aquatica</i>	Water Mint	Wet places
<i>Mentha longifolia</i>	Horse Mint	Damp places
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	Marjoram	Occasional. Rocky turf
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	Self-heal	Common
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	Frequent
<i>Satureja montana</i>	Winter Savory	Dry banks and scree
<i>Stachys alopecurus</i>	Yellow Betony	Meadows. Occasional
<i>Stachys recta</i>	Yellow Woundwort	Roadsides
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	Wall Germander	Occasional
<i>Teucrium pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Germander	Rocks and scree
<i>Teucrium scorodonia</i>	Wood Sage	Woods
<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	Wild Thyme	Dry places
<i>Thymus pulegiodes</i>	Large Thyme	Occasional. Sunny, dry places
<b>Lentibulariaceae</b>	<b>Butterwort Family</b>	
<i>Pinguicula alpina</i>	Alpine Butterwort	Damp mountain rocks
<i>Pinguicula grandiflora</i>	Large-flowered Butterwort	Wet flushes on limestone
<i>Pinguicula longifolia</i> subsp. <i>longifolia</i>	Long-leaved Butterwort	Wet limestone cliffs. Gavarnie
<b>Linaceae</b>	<b>Flax Family</b>	
<i>Linum catharticum</i>	Fairy Flax	Frequent
<b>Loranthaceae</b>	<b>Mistletoe Family</b>	
<i>Viscum album</i>	Mistletoe	Common

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<b>Malvaceae</b> <i>Malva sylvestris</i>	<b>Mallow Family</b> Common Mallow	Waste places
<b>Oleaceae</b> <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	<b>Ash Family</b> Ash	Woods
<b>Onagraceae</b> <i>Chamerion angustifolium</i> <i>Epilobium montanum</i>	<b>Willowherb Family</b> Rosebay Willowherb Broad-leaved Willowherb	Occasional Widespread
<b>Orobanchaceae</b> <i>Bartsia alpina</i> <i>Melampyrum pratense</i> <i>Melampyrum sylvaticum</i> <i>Orobanche alba</i> <i>Orobanche minor</i> <i>Pedicularis sylvatica</i>	<b>Broomrape Family</b> Alpine Bartsia Common Cow-wheat Small Cow-wheat Thyme Broomrape Common Broomrape Common Lousewort	Meadows and pasture Acidic turf Mountain woods Dry pasture Parasitic on Clovers Wet flushes
<b>Oxalidaceae</b> <i>Oxalis acetosella</i>	<b>Wood-sorrel Family</b> Wood-sorrel	Woods and shaded rocks
<b>Papaveraceae</b> <i>Chelidonium majus</i> <i>Papaver cambricum</i> <i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	<b>Poppy Family</b> Greater Celandine Welsh Poppy Common Poppy	Frequent near habitation Occasional. Gavarnie Lowland
<b>Plantaginaceae</b> <i>Antirrhinum majus</i> <i>Antirrhinum sempervirens</i> • <i>Callitriche stagnalis</i> <i>Chaenorhinum origanifolium</i> • <i>Cymbalaria muralis</i> <i>Digitalis lutea</i> <i>Digitalis purpurea</i> <i>Erinus alpinus</i> <i>Globularia cordifolia</i> <i>Globularia nudicaulis</i> <i>Globularia repens</i> <i>Linaria alpina</i> <i>Linaria supina</i> • <i>Linaria vulgaris</i> <i>Plantago alpina</i> <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> <i>Plantago major</i> <i>Plantago media</i> <i>Veronica beccabunga</i> <i>Veronica bellidioides</i> <i>Veronica chamaedrys</i> <i>Veronica fruticans</i> <i>Veronica officinalis</i> <i>Veronica ponae</i> •	<b>Plantain and Speedwell Family</b> Snapdragon Rock Snapdragon Common Water-starwort Creeping Snapdragon Ivy-leaved Toadflax Small Yellow Foxglove Purple Foxglove Fairy Foxglove Matted Globularia Leafless-stemmed Globularia Creeping Globularia Alpine Toadflax Dwarf Toadflax Common Toadflax Alpine Plantain Ribwort Plantain Greater Plantain Hoary Plantain Brooklime Violet Speedwell Germander Speedwell Rock Speedwell Heath Speedwell Spiked Pyrenean Speedwell	Gedre Dessus Rocks Occasional in pools. Troumouse Scree Rocks and walls Roadside banks below Gedre Frequent. Acidic soils Common. Rocks and scree Barrage d'Ossoue Frequent Limestone fissures Alpine rocks Rocks and scree Waste places. Lowland Mountain turf Widespread Ruderal Widespread Streams Frequent in pasture Meadows Mountain rocks Occasional. Dry places Woods and shady places

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<i>Veronica prostrata</i>	Prostrate Speedwell	Dry rocky places
<i>Veronica serpyllifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Woods and pasture
<i>Veronica urticifolia</i>	Nettle-leaved Speedwell	Woods and shady places
<b>Platanaceae</b>	<b>Plane Family</b>	
<i>Platanus x hispanica</i> †	London Plane	Cultivated
<b>Plumbaginaceae</b>	<b>Thrift Family</b>	
<i>Armeria alpina</i>	Mountain Thrift	Gedre and Lac de Gaube
<b>Polygalaceae</b>	<b>Milkwort Family</b>	
<i>Polygala alpestris</i>	Mountain Milkwort	Mountain pasture
<i>Polygala serpyllifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved Milkwort	Acidic pasture
<i>Polygala vulgaris</i>	Common Milkwort	Acidic pasture
<b>Polygonaceae</b>	<b>Dock Family</b>	
<i>Persicaria vivipara</i>	Alpine Bistort	Common. Mountain turf
<i>Rumex acetosa</i>	Common Sorrel	Common
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep's Sorrel	Common
<i>Rumex scutatus</i>	French Sorrel	Rocks and screes
<b>Primulaceae</b>	<b>Primrose Family</b>	
<i>Androsace laggeri</i>	Pink Rock-jasmine	Mountain turf. Cirque de Troumouse
<i>Androsace villosa</i>	Shaggy Rock-jasmine	Limestone rocks and turf
<i>Primula elatior</i>	Oxlip	Alpine pasture
<i>Primula farinosa</i>	Bird's-eye Primrose	Wet mountain turf
<i>Primula hirsuta</i>	Hairy Primrose	Damp acidic cliffs
<i>Primula integrifolia</i>	Entire-leaved Primrose	Wet acidic turf
<i>Primula veris</i>	Cowslip	Occasional. Meadows
<i>Soldanella alpina</i>	Alpine Snowbell	Alpine turf
<i>Vitaliana primuliflora</i> subsp. <i>canescens</i>	Vitaliana	Mountain rocks and turf
<b>Ranunculaceae</b>	<b>Buttercup Family</b>	
<i>Aconitum anthora</i>	Yellow Monk's-hood	Rocky limestone pasture
<i>Aconitum napellus</i>	Common Monk's-hood	Common. Mountain pasture
<i>Actaea spicata</i>	Baneberry	Woods
<i>Anemone nemorosa</i>	Wood Anemone	Woods
<i>Anemone narcissiflora</i>	Narcissus-flowered Anemone	Heas Valley
<i>Aquilegia pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Columbine	Screes. Gavarnie
<i>Aquilegia vulgaris</i>	Common Columbine	Common
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh Marigold	Bogs and streamsides
<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	Old Man's Beard	Woods on limestone
<i>Ficaria verna</i>	Lesser Celandine	Occasional
<i>Helleborus foetidus</i>	Stinking Hellebore	Woods
<i>Helleborus viridis</i>	Green Hellebore	Woods and pasture
<i>Hepatica nobilis</i>	Liverleaf	Woods and alpine turf
<i>Pulsatilla alpina</i> subsp. <i>alpina</i>	Alpine Pasqueflower	Local. Mountain pasture
<i>Ranunculus acris</i>	Meadow Buttercup	Meadows
<i>Ranunculus flammula</i>	Lesser Spearwort	Wet flushes and streamsides
<i>Ranunculus gouanii</i> •	Gouan's Buttercup	Mountain meadows
<i>Ranunculus montanus</i>	Mountain Buttercup	Mountain turf. Frequent
<i>Ranunculus pyrenaicus</i> •	Pyrenean Buttercup	Damp mountain turf
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Creeping Buttercup	Widespread

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<i>Ranunculus thora</i>	Thore's Buttercup	Limestone scree. Gavarnie
<i>Thalictrum aquilegifolium</i>	Great Meadow-rue	Damp mountain turf
<i>Thalictrum minus</i>	Lesser Meadow-rue	Occasional
<i>Trollius europaeus</i>	Globeflower	Damp meadows
<b>Resedaceae</b>	<b>Mignonette Family</b>	
<i>Reseda luteola</i>	Weld	Waste areas
<b>Rhamnaceae</b>	<b>Buckthorn Family</b>	
<i>Rhamnus alpinus</i>	Alpine Buckthorn	Rocky places. Ossoue
<i>Rhamnus pumilus</i>	Dwarf Buckthorn	Frequent. Limestone rocks
<b>Rosaceae</b>	<b>Rose Family</b>	
<i>Alchemilla alpina</i>	Alpine Lady's-mantle	Acidic rocks and turf. Widespread
<i>Amelanchier ovalis</i>	Snowy Mespilus	Local. Lac des Gloriettes
<i>Cotoneaster integerrimus</i>	Wild Cotoneaster	Rocky places
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	Woods
<i>Dryas octopetala</i>	Mountain Avens	Local. Mountains
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild Strawberry	Common
<i>Geum montanum</i>	Alpine Avens	Mountain pasture
<i>Geum pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Avens	Mountain pasture
<i>Geum rivale</i>	Water Avens	Occasional. Wet places
<i>Malus sylvestris</i>	Crab Apple	Occasional
<i>Potentilla alchemilloides</i>	Alchemilla-leaved Cinquefoil	Limestone cliffs
<i>Potentilla aurea</i>	Golden Cinquefoil	Mountain turf
<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	Tormentil	Common
<i>Potentilla crantzii</i>	Alpine Cinquefoil	Mountain pasture
<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	Shrubby Cinquefoil	Rare. Gavarnie
<i>Potentilla montana</i>	Mountain Cinquefoil	Frequent. Rocky places
<i>Potentilla rupestris</i>	Rock Cinquefoil	Local. Rocky places
<i>Potentilla sterilis</i>	Barren Strawberry	Common
<i>Poterium sanguisorba</i>	Salad Burnet	Common
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Wild Cherry	Frequent in woods
<i>Prunus mahaleb</i>	St Lucie Cherry	Gedre Dessus
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	Blackthorn	Occasional. Scrub
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Raspberry	Common
<i>Rubus saxatilis</i>	Stone Bramble	Frequent
<i>Rubus ulmifolius</i>	A Bramble	Common in lowlands
<i>Rosa arvensis</i>	Field Rose	Widespread
<i>Rosa canina</i>	Dog-rose	Widespread
<i>Rosa glauca</i>	Blue-leaved Rose	Mountain scrub
<i>Rosa pendulina</i>	Alpine Rose	Mountain scrub
<i>Rosa rubiginosa</i>	Sweet Briar	Widespread
<i>Sanguisorba officinalis</i>	Great Burnet	Occasional. Streamsides
<i>Sorbus aria</i>	Whitebeam	Open woods
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	Rowan	Mountains
<i>Sorbus chamaemespilus</i>	False-medlar	Occasional. Rocky slopes
<i>Sorbus mougeotii</i>	Mougeot's Whitebeam	Frequent. Ossoue Valley
<b>Rubiaceae</b>	<b>Bedstraw Family</b>	
<i>Cruciata laevipes</i>	Crosswort	Pastures and roadsides
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	Scrub and waste places
<i>Galium caespitosum</i> •	A Bedstraw	Mountain rocks



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<i>Galium mollugo</i>	Hedge Bedstraw	Scrub and meadows
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	Woodruff	Woods
<i>Galium pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Bedstraw	Alpine rocks
<i>Galium saxatile</i>	Heath Bedstraw	Mountain turf
<i>Galium verum</i>	Lady's Bedstraw	Meadows
<i>Rubia peregriana</i>	Wild Madder	Frequent in woods
<b>Salicaceae</b>	<b>Willow Family</b>	
<i>Populus alba</i>	White Poplar	Frequent
<i>Populus nigra</i>	Black Poplar	Occasional in valleys
<i>Populus tremula</i>	Aspen	Occasional in forests
<i>Salix aurita</i>	Eared Sallow	Widespread
<i>Salix caprea</i>	Goat Willow	Occasional
<i>Salix eleagnos</i>	Hoary Willow	Streamsides
<i>Salix pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Willow	Mountain rocks
<b>Sapindaceae</b>	<b>Maple Family</b>	
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Field Maple	Common
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Norway Maple	Frequent
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sycamore	Common
<b>Santalaceae</b>	<b>Bastard-toadflax Family</b>	
<i>Thesium alpinum</i>	Alpine Bastard-toadflax	Frequent
<i>Thesium pyrenaicum</i>	Pyrenean Bastard-toadflax	Frequent
<b>Saxifragaceae</b>	<b>Saxifrage Family</b>	
<i>Saxifraga aizoides</i>	Yellow Mountain Saxifrage	Wet flushes
<i>Saxifraga aretioides</i> •	Yellow Saxifrage	Rare. Limestone rocks
<i>Saxifraga cotyledon</i>	Pyramidal Saxifrage	Acidic rocks. Heas Valley
<i>Saxifraga exarata</i> subsp. <i>moschata</i>	Musky Saxifrage	Limestone rocks
<i>Saxifraga granulata</i>	Meadow Saxifrage	Common
<i>Saxifraga hirsuta</i> subsp. <i>hirsuta</i>	Kidney Saxifrage	Shady streamsides
<i>Saxifraga intricata</i> •	Scented-leaved Saxifrage	Acidic rocks. Col des Tentes
<i>Saxifraga longifolia</i> subsp. <i>longifolia</i>	Pyrenean Saxifrage	Cliffs and boulders
<i>Saxifraga oppositifolia</i>	Purple Saxifrage	Alpine rocks
<i>Saxifraga paniculata</i>	Livelong Saxifrage	Common on rocks
<i>Saxifraga umbrosa</i> •	Wood Saxifrage	Woods
<b>Scrophulariaceae</b>	<b>Figwort Family</b>	
<i>Buddleja davidii</i> †	Butterfly-bush Family	Waste places at lower altitudes
<i>Scrophularia alpestris</i>	Alpine Figwort	Wet places
<i>Verbascum nigrum</i>	Dark Mullein	Occasional.
<i>Verbascum pulverulentum</i>	Hoary Mullein	Rocky places
<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	Common Mullein	Roadsides
<b>Solanaceae</b>	<b>Nightshade Family</b>	
<i>Atropa belladonna</i>	Deadly Nightshade	Local. Gedre
<b>Thymelaeaceae</b>	<b>Mezereon Family</b>	
<i>Daphne cneorum</i>	Garland Flower	Local. Mountain turf
<i>Daphne laureola</i>	Spurge Laurel	Frequent. Woods and rocks
<i>Daphne mezereum</i>	Mezereon	Forest and open pasture

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<i>Thymelaea dioica</i>	Dioecious Thymelaea	Rocks and screes. Ossoue Valley
<b>Tiliaceae</b>	<b>Lime Family</b>	
<i>Tilia cordata</i>	Small-leaved Lime	Common
<b>Ulmaceae</b>	<b>Elm Family</b>	
<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Wych Elm	Gedre and Gavarnie
<b>Urticaceae</b>	<b>Nettle Family</b>	
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-wall	Walls
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle	Disturbed areas
<b>Verbenaceae</b>	<b>Vervain Family</b>	
<i>Verbena officinalis</i>	Vervain	Tracksides. Ossoue valley
<b>Violaceae</b>	<b>Violet Family</b>	
<i>Viola biflora</i>	Yellow Wood-violet	Frequent. Shady places
<i>Viola cornuta</i> •	Horned Pansy	Meadows
<i>Viola palustris</i>	Marsh Violet	Bogs
<i>Viola reichenbachiana</i>	Wood Dog-violet	Occasional
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	Common Dog-violet	Frequent. Grassy places
<i>Viola tricolor</i>	Wild Pansy	Occasional

### MONOCOTYLEDONS

<b>Amaryllidaceae</b>	<b>Daffodil Family</b>	
<i>Allium senescens</i>	Mountain Onion	Rocky places around Gedre
<i>Allium sphaerocephalon</i>	Round-headed Leek	Frequent
<i>Allium ursinum</i>	Ramsons	Gedre
<i>Allium victorialis</i>	Alpine Leek	Pont d'Espagne
<i>Allium vineale</i>	Crow Garlic	Occasional
<i>Narcissus assoanus</i>	Rush-leaved Daffodil	Locally common in pasture. Ossoue valley
<i>Narcissus bicolor</i> •	A Daffodil	Locally common in pasture.
<b>Asparagaceae</b>	<b>Asparagus Family</b>	
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	St Bernard's Lily	Frequent on rocky banks
<i>Brimeura amethystina</i> •	Pyrenean Hyacinth	Meadows and rocks
<i>Dipcadi serotinum</i>	Dipcadi	Gedre Dessus
<i>Leopoldia comosa</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Local. Gavarnie, Gedre
<i>Polygonatum verticillatum</i>	Whorled Solomon's-seal	Occasional in woods
<i>Scilla liliohyacinthus</i> •	Pyrenean Squill	Woods
<i>Scilla verna</i>	Spring Squill	Locally common. Mountain pasture
<b>Colchicaceae</b>	<b>Meadow Saffron Family</b>	
<i>Colchicum montanum</i> •	Merendera	Mountain pasture (in fruit)
<b>Cyperaceae</b>	<b>Sedge Family</b>	
<i>Carex caryophyllea</i>	Spring Sedge	Dry turf. Mountains
<i>Carex canescens</i>	White Sedge	Wet acidic soils
<i>Carex curvula</i>	An alpine Sedge	Exposed acidic soils. Troumouse
<i>Carex davalliana</i>	Bath Sedge	Wet basic soils
<i>Carex demissa</i>	Common Yellow Sedge	Damp turf
<i>Carex dioica</i>	Dioecious Sedge	Bogs and flushes

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<i>Carex echinata</i>	Star Sedge	Damp turf
<i>Carex ferruginea</i>	Rusty Sedge	Limestone turf. Ossoue
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Glaucous Sedge	Meadows
<i>Carex nigra</i>	Common Sedge	Acidic mountain turf
<i>Carex panicea</i>	Carnation Sedge	Damp soils on limestone
<i>Carex sylvatica</i>	Wood Sedge	Woods
<i>Eriophorum angustifolium</i>	Common Cottongrass	Acid bogs
<b>Iridaceae</b>	<b>Iris Family</b>	
<i>Iris latifolia</i> •	Pyrenean Iris	Common
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow Iris	Streamsides. Lowland
<b>Juncaceae</b>	<b>Rush Family</b>	
<i>Juncus conglomeratus</i>	Compact Rush	Common
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft Rush	Common
<i>Juncus tridus</i>	Three-leaved Rush	Acidic alpine turf
<i>Luzula lutea</i>	Yellow Wood-rush	Acidic mountain turf
<i>Luzula luzuloides</i>	White Wood-rush	Acidic soils
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	Hairy Wood-rush	Woods and meadows
<i>Luzula spicata</i>	Spiked Wood-rush	Mountain turf
<i>Luzula sylvatica</i>	Great Wood-rush	Woods and meadows
<b>Liliaceae</b>	<b>Lily Family</b>	
<i>Fritillaria pyrenaica</i> •	Pyrenean Snakeshead	Damp mountain pasture
<i>Lilium martagon</i>	Martagon Lily	Woodland and meadows
<i>Lilium pyrenaicum</i> •	Pyrenean Lily	Local. Mountain woods
<b>Melanthiaceae</b>	<b>Herb-Paris Family</b>	
<i>Paris quadrifolia</i>	Herb-Paris	Woods. Local
<i>Veratrum album</i>	White False-helleborine	Occasional. Mountains
<b>Orchidaceae</b>	<b>Orchid Family</b>	
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid	Local
<i>Cephalanthera longifolia</i>	Sword-leaved Helleborine	Frequent
<i>Dactylorhiza maculata</i>	Heath Spotted-orchid	Acid bogs and heath
<i>Dactylorhiza majalis</i>	Broad-leaved Marsh-orchid	Wet meadows and streamsides
<i>Dactylorhiza sambucina</i>	Elder-flowered Orchid	Locally common. Heas Valley
<i>Epipactis atrorubens</i>	Dark-red Helleborine	Frequent. Woods
<i>Goodyera repens</i>	Creeping Lady's-tresses	Rare. Heas Valley
<i>Gymnadenia conopsea</i>	Fragrant-orchid	Common. Meadows and banks
<i>Neottia ustulata</i>	Burnt Orchid	Local. Meadows
<i>Neottia ovata</i>	Twayblade	Meadows
<i>Ophrys scolopax</i>	Woodcock Orchid	Grassland. Lower valleys
<i>Orchis mascula</i>	Early-purple Orchid	Common. Meadows and banks
<i>Platanthera bifolia</i>	Lesser Butterfly-orchid	Woods and banks
<b>Poaceae</b>	<b>Grass Family</b>	
<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	Sweet Vernal-grass	Meadows
<i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i>	False Oat-rass	Common. Low altitudes
<i>Briza media</i>	Quaking-grass	Meadows
<i>Brachypodium pinnatum</i>	Heath False-brome	Woods
<i>Bromus commutatus</i>	Meadow Brome	Meadows

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<i>Bromus sterilis</i>	Barren Brome	Dry grassland
<i>Cynosurus cristatus</i>	Crested Dog's-tail	Common
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Cock's-foot	Common
<i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i>	Tufted Hair-grass	Wet grassland
<i>Deschampsia flexuosa</i>	Wavy Hair-grass	Acidic mountain turf
<i>Festuca eskia</i> •	Gispet	Dominant. Acidic high-mountain turf
<i>Festuca gautieri</i> •	Spiky Fescue	Basic mountain turf
<i>Festuca paniculata</i>	Panicled Fescue	Common
<i>Festuca rubra</i>	Red Fescue	Common
<i>Melica nutans</i>	Mountain Melick	Woods
<i>Melica uniflora</i>	Wood Melick	Woods
<i>Molinia caerulea</i>	Purple Moor-grass	Damp acidic pasture
<i>Nardus stricta</i>	Mat-grass	Acidic pasture
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Timothy	Meadows
<i>Poa alpina</i>	Alpine Meadow-grass	Alpine pasture
<i>Poa annua</i>	Annual Meadow-grass	Trackways
<i>Poa nemoralis</i>	Wood Meadow-grass	Woods
<i>Poa trivialis</i>	Rough Meadow-grass	Pasture
<i>Schedonorus pratensis</i>	Meadow Fescue	Meadows
<i>Sesleria albicans</i>	Blue Moor-grass	Limestone rocks

**Tofieldiaceae***Tofieldia calyculata***Scottish Asphodel Family**

Tofield's Asphodel Wet places in mountains

**Xanthorrhoeaceae***Asphodelus albus***Asphodel Family**

White Asphodel Mountain pasture

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

	Common name	Latin name	June							
			6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	✓			✓				
2	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓			✓				
3	Bearded Vulture	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>		5			2	3		
4	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
5	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>						✓		
6	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>		✓	✓	✓				
7	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>				✓			✓	
8	Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓		
9	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓			✓				
10	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓			✓				
12	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓			✓				
13	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	✓							
14	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>				✓				
15	Middle Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos media</i>				✓				
16	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>			H	✓				
17	European Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>					H	H		
18	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		✓				✓	✓	
19	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
20	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>					✓		✓	
21	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓			✓				

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23	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>		✓	✓	✓				
24	Alpine Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓
25	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	✓			✓	✓			
26	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
27	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>			✓	✓				
28	European Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>			✓	H				
29	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>			✓				✓	
30	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
31	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>				H				
32	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>							H	
33	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
35	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>					✓			
36	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		H	✓	H				
37	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	H	✓	✓	
38	Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>		H	✓					
39	Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapillus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	H	
40	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>			✓					
41	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>			H	✓	✓	✓		
42	Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>				✓				
43	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓			✓				
44	Ring Ouzel	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>		H		✓				
45	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
46	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	H		H				H	
47	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>						✓	✓	
48	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>				✓				
49	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	H		✓	✓	H	✓	H	
50	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>				✓				
51	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>					✓			
53	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>					✓	✓	✓	
54	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
55	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
56	White-winged Snowfinch	<i>Montifringilla nivalis</i>							✓	
57	Alpine Accentor	<i>Prunella collaris</i>						✓	✓	
58	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
59	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
60	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
61	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>		✓		H	✓	✓		
62	Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>					✓	✓	✓	
63	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>				✓				
65	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	
66	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>				✓				
67	Citril Finch	<i>Carduelis citrinella</i>			✓	✓			✓	
68	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	H	H	✓	✓	✓	H	H	
69	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>			✓		✓	✓		
70	Rock Bunting	<i>Emberiza cia</i>					✓	✓	✓	

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## Mammals (E = Evidence of)

1	European Mole	<i>Talpa europaea</i>				E			E	
2	Alpine Marmot	<i>Marmota marmota</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
3	Pyrenean Chamois •	<i>Rupicapra pyrenaica</i>		✓						

## Reptiles

1	Common Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis muralis</i>			✓	✓				
2	Asp Viper	<i>Vipera aspis</i>			✓					

## Amphibians (T = tadpoles)

1	Common Frog	<i>Rana temporaria</i>		T		T	✓	✓	✓	
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## Butterflies

1	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>		✓						
2	Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>		✓	✓					
3	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>			✓	✓	✓			
4	Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>		✓						
5	Little Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>			✓	✓				
6	Green-underside Blue	<i>Glaucopsyche alexis</i>		✓						
7	Eros Blue	<i>Polyommatus eros</i>							✓	
8	Meadow Brown	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>				✓	✓			
9	Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary	<i>Boloria selene</i>		✓						
10	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>			✓	✓				
11	Peacock	<i>Inachis io</i>				✓				
12	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>		✓						
13	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>						✓		
14	Dingy Skipper	<i>Erynnis tages</i>			✓					
15	Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus malvae</i>		✓						

## Moths (L = Larvae)

1	Six-Spot Burnet	<i>Zygaena filipendulae</i>				✓				
2	Hummingbird Hawk-moth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>		✓						
3	Silver Y	<i>Autographa gamma</i>		✓						
4	Lackey Moth	<i>Malacosoma neustria</i>					L			

## Other Insects

1	Great Green Bush-cricket	<i>Tettigonia viridissima</i>				✓				
2	Field Cricket	<i>Gryllus campestris</i>				✓				
3	Bee-fly	<i>Bombylius major</i>				✓				
4	Bee Beetle	<i>Trichius fasciatus</i>				✓				
5	Robin's Pincushion	<i>Diplolepis rosae</i>				✓				
6	Wood Ant	<i>Formica rufa</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		