

# Species Factsheet

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*Chenopodium urbicum*

Upright Goosefoot



**Description:** Non-aromatic, non-mealy, erect, to 100 cm. Inflorescences in loose, leafless clusters. Flowers are without petals and have yellow stamen and tiny, green, untoothed sepals. Leaves are toothed and triangular. Seeds are black.

**Lifecycle:** Annual herb. Flowers August - September. Wind-pollinated.

**Habitat:** Arable and horticultural. Light sandy loams and clay soils in full sun.

**Distribution:** Europe, North America

**Status:** Archaeophyte. Last recorded in UK in 1995. No known extant populations in the UK.

**Reasons for decline:** Unknown.

**Legal protection:** UK BAP Priority Species.

**What we are doing:**

- Establishing a network of new 'safe sites' where Upright Goosefoot is grown and increasing the amount of seed available to the Millennium Seed Bank, Kew.
- Planned reintroduction to more 'natural' habitats.

**What you can do:**

- Contact us if you see this plant growing in the wild, or if you are a landowner interested in growing this plant

**Red List Status:**

Awaiting  
assessment

**Threat of extinction:**

Very high

**Main threats:**

Unknown