

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