

BSBI Annual Summer Meeting Guernsey, May 2024



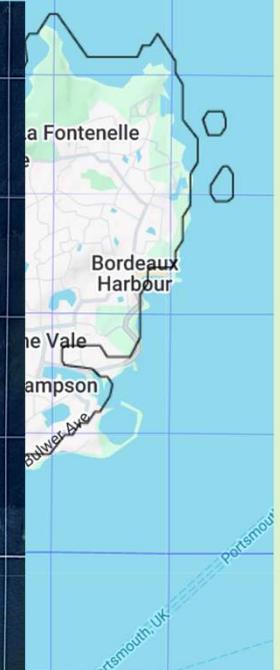


Jersey and Guernsey



Guernsey

La Rousse & L'Ancrese

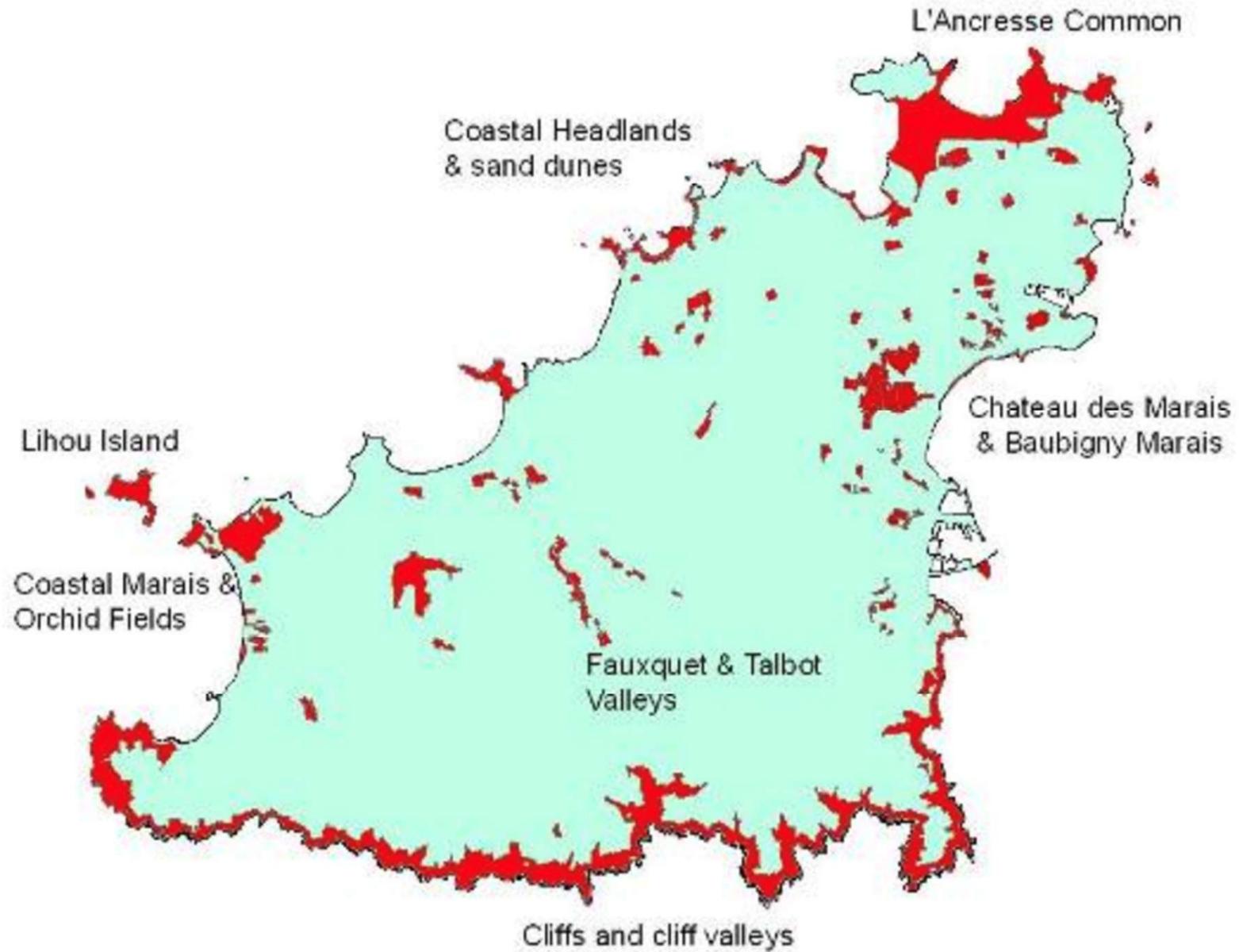


L'Erée

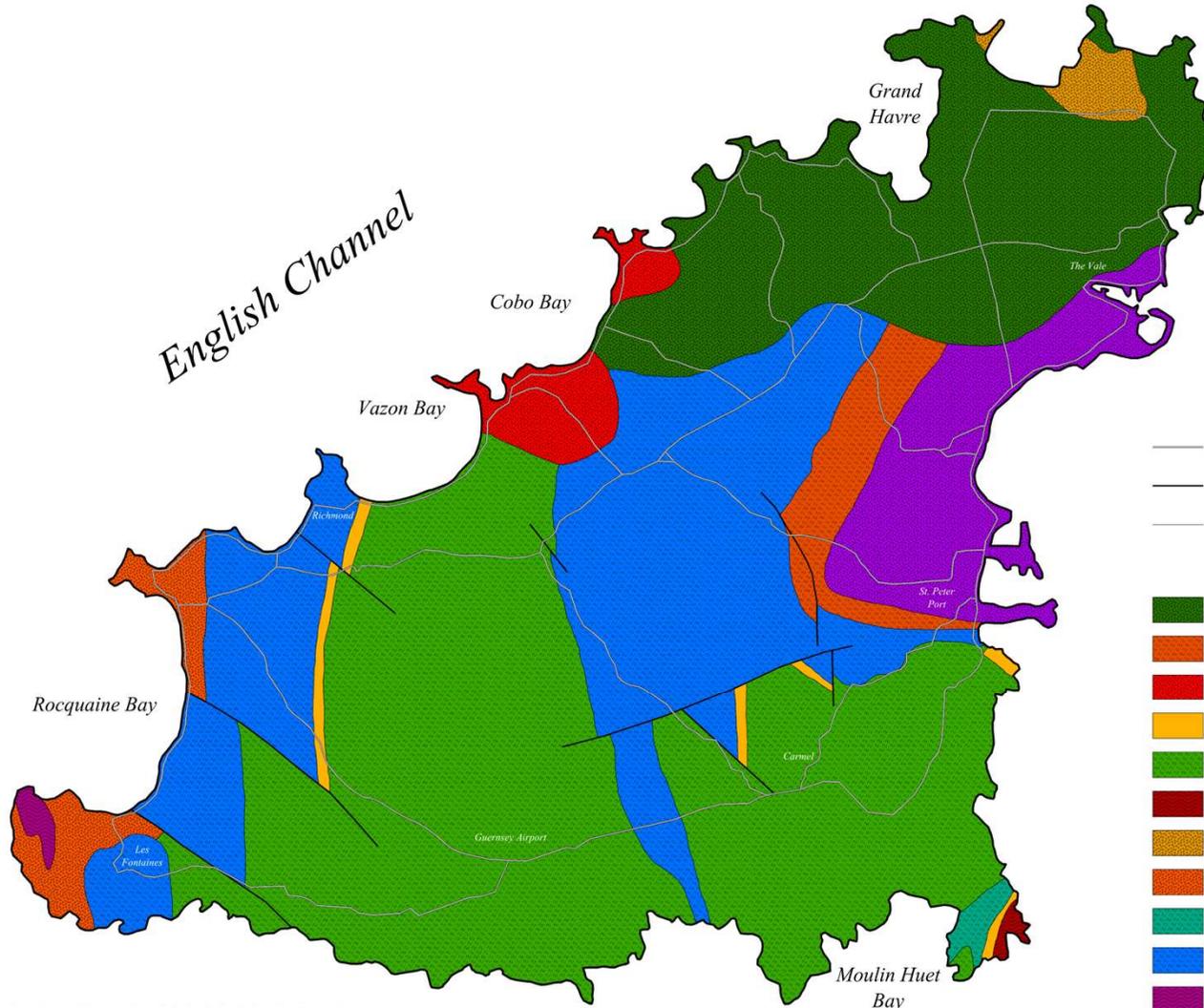
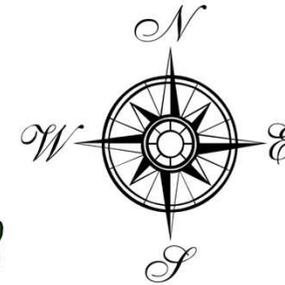
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Sites of Nature Conservation Importance



A Geological Map of the Island of Guernsey



Legend

- Main Roads
 - Faults
 - Contacts
- Lithology**
- Bordeaux Diorite Complex
 - Castle Cornet Gneiss
 - Cobo Granite
 - Hornfels
 - Icart Gneiss Group
 - Jerbourg Metasediment
 - L'Anresse Granodiorite
 - L'Erée Granite
 - Pea Stack Gneiss
 - Perelle Gneiss Group
 - Pleinmont Metasediment
 - St. Peter Port Gabbro



Map based on data from:
 1. John Renouf - Geological excursion guide 1: Jersey and Guernsey, Channel Islands - Geology Today, Vol. 1, No. 3 - 1985
 2. Le Société Guernésiaise
 3. Google Maps

Cartography by A.W.J. Clark, Robinson College, Cambridge

<https://awjc.wordpress.com/geology-stuff/geological-maps/guernsey/>

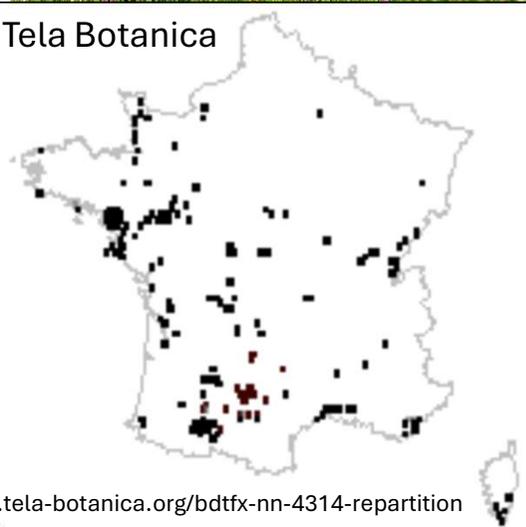
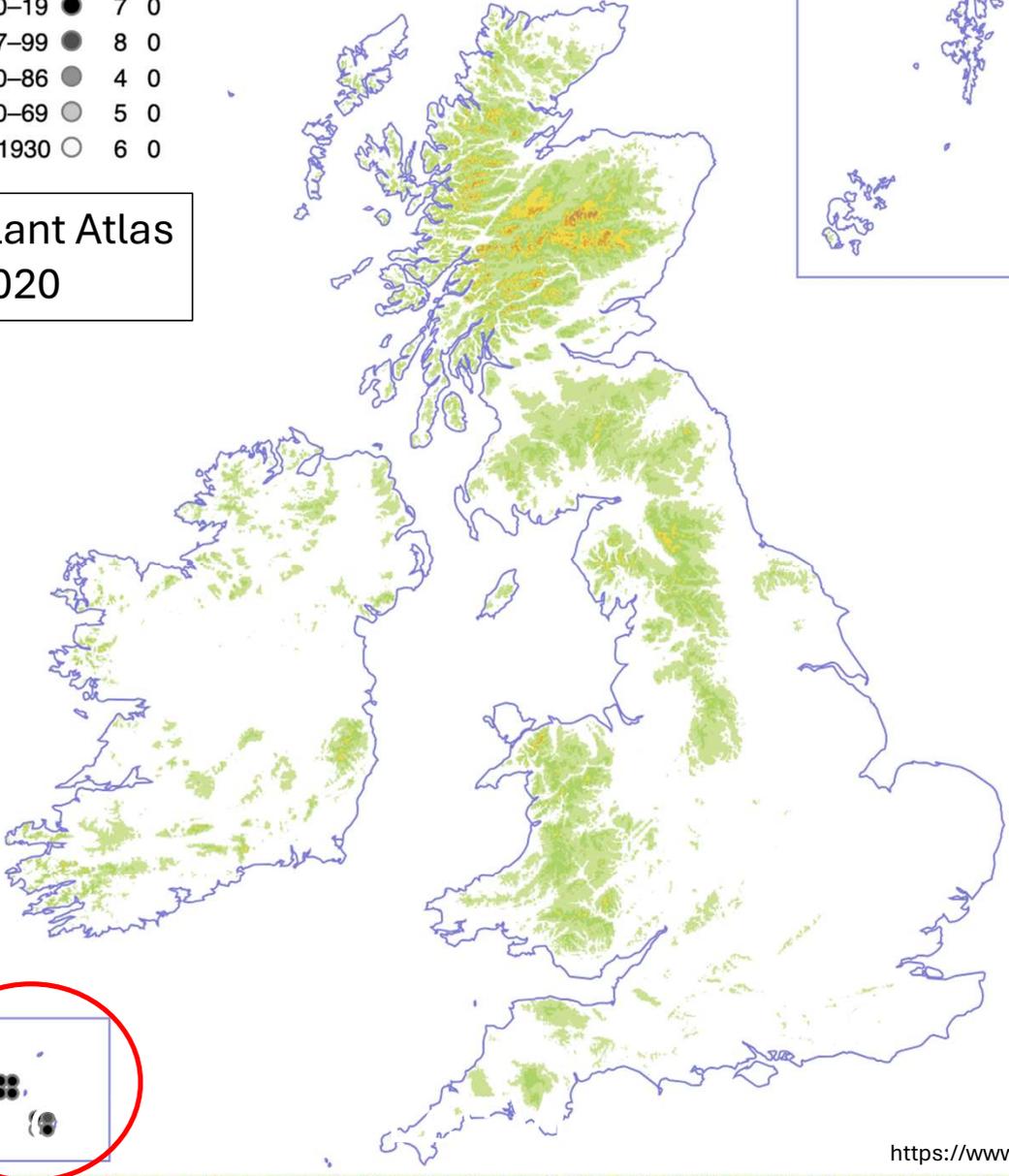


Candie Cemetery

Anacamptis laxiflora

	GB	IR
2000–19	● 7	○ 0
1987–99	● 8	○ 0
1970–86	● 4	○ 0
1930–69	● 5	○ 0
pre-1930	○ 6	○ 0

Plant Atlas
2020



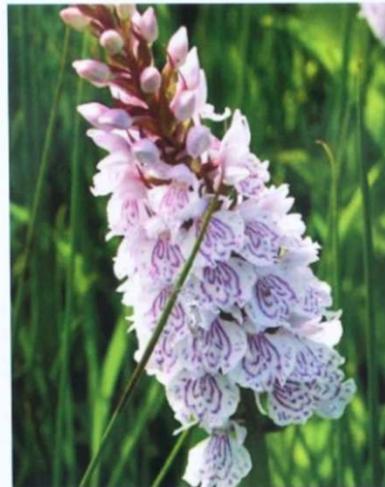
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La Société Guernesiaise started to purchase fields in this area in 1978, and has steadily built up the numbers since then. One field has been leased to La Société at a peppercorn rent by an interested neighbour and another leased from the States of Guernsey.

All the fields are predominantly wet meadows which are managed traditionally. The hay is taken off in late July or early August and some are grazed by cattle in the autumn. Many species of wetland plants occur here and the orchids are particularly noticeable. There are four species: Common Spotted; Heath Spotted; Southern Marsh and Loose-flowered. The Loose-flowered Orchid, which is dark purple, does not occur in England, and these fields have the largest concentration in the Channel Islands. They are at their best in May and early June.

Other special plants of this reserve include: Ragged Robin; Lady's Smock; Lesser Spearwort; Yellow Flag Iris and Bugle. Because of the traditional management routine the fields are also rich in insects and other wildlife.

The Reserve has been named after Bridget Ozanne, the much loved secretary of the Botany Section of La Société Guernesiaise, who led walks around these fields for many years.



Common Spotted-orchid



Loose-flowered Orchid



Bugle



Yellow Flag Iris



Aerial photograph of the Reserve showing La Société Guernesiaise's owned and leased fields outlined in red.

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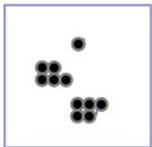
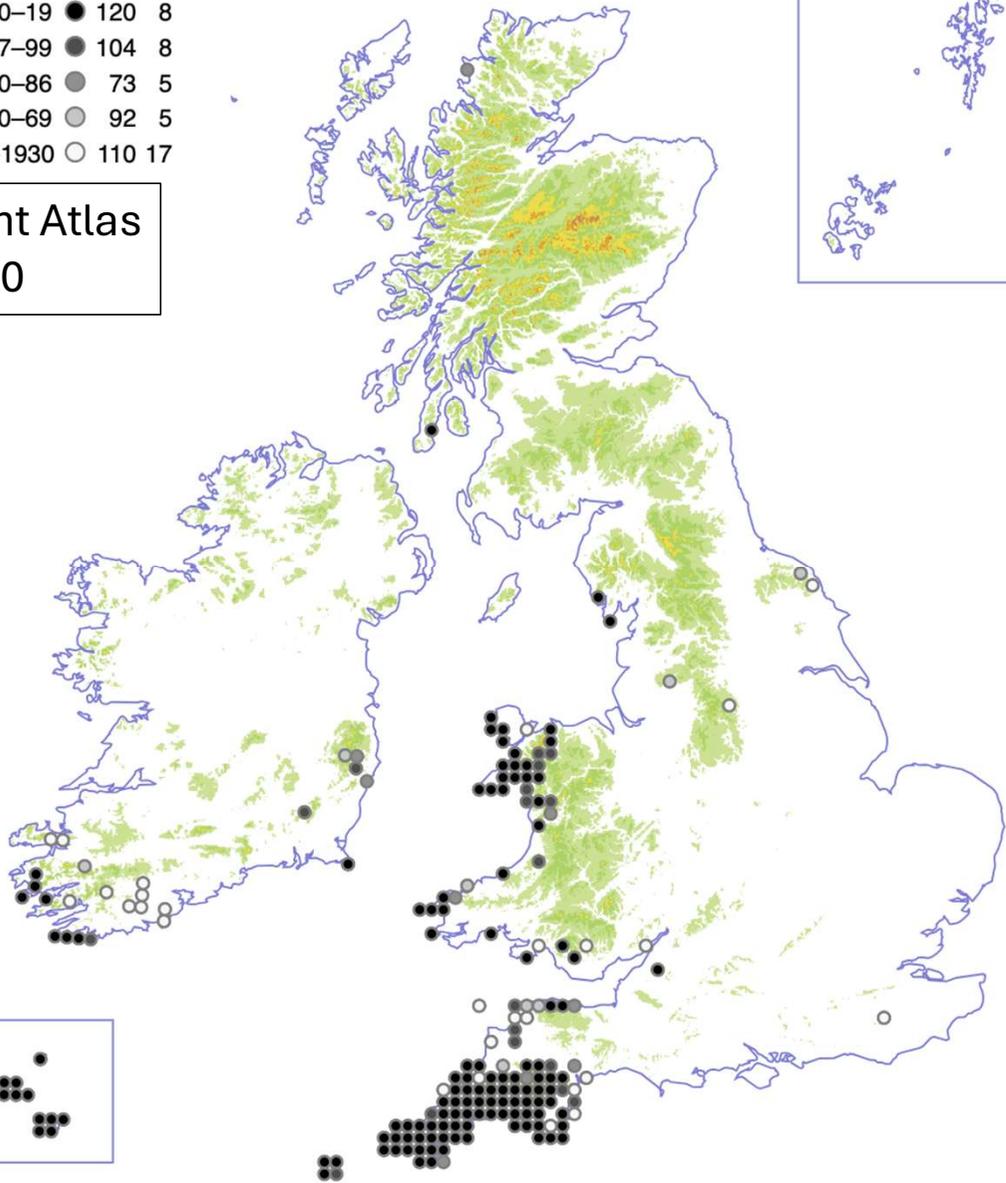
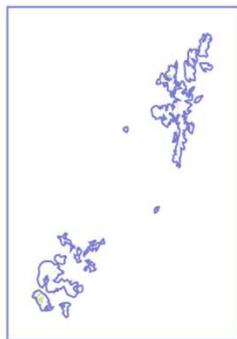
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Asplenium obovatum

	GB	IR
2000–19	● 120	8
1987–99	● 104	8
1970–86	● 73	5
1930–69	● 92	5
pre-1930	○ 110	17

Plant Atlas
2020



Asplenium obovatum



Allium ampeloprasum

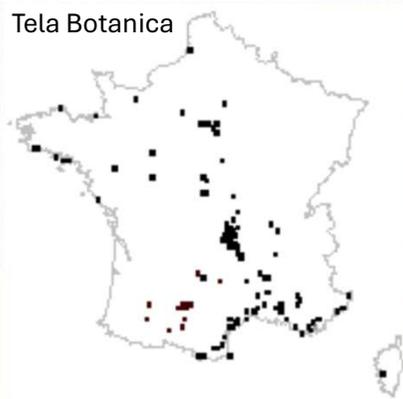


L'Erée; South of Fort Saumarais



Vicia lutea

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Isoetes histrix

Coastal heath NE of L'Erée

RRR – Rare - less than 25 known sites

RR – Scarce - less than 100 known sites

R – Uncommon- less than 250 known sites

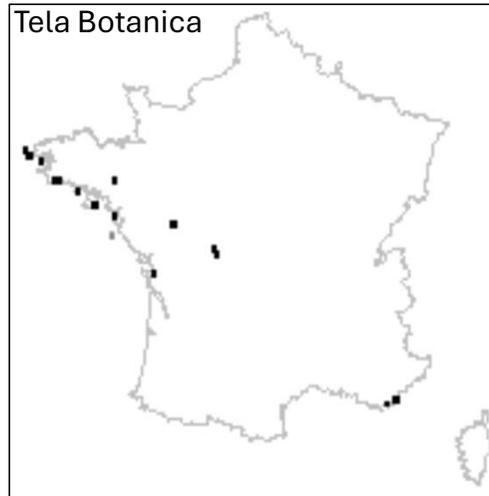
Guernsey – occasional



Photograph courtesy of Charles David

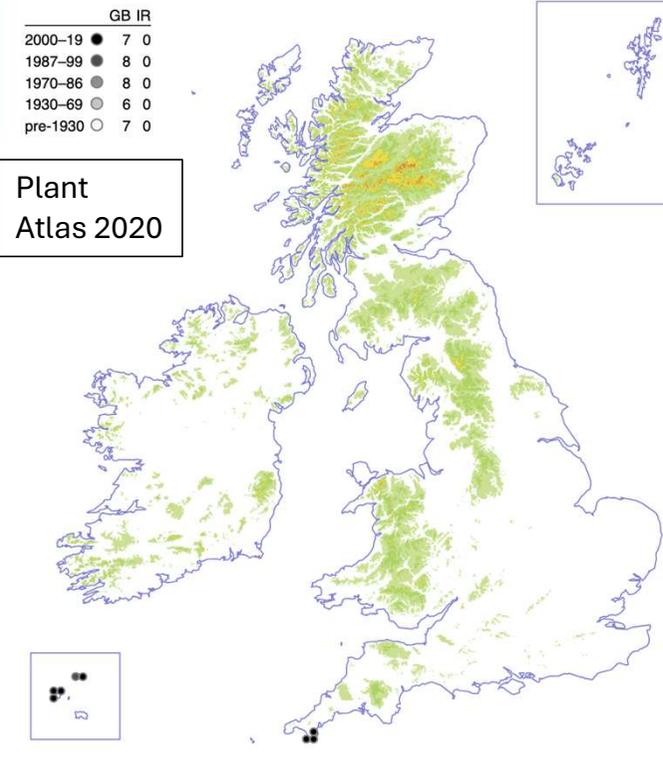
Land Quillwort *Isoetes histrix*

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GB IR
2000–19 ● 7 0
1987–99 ● 8 0
1970–86 ● 8 0
1930–69 ● 6 0
pre-1930 ○ 7 0

Plant
Atlas 2020



<https://societe.org.gg/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Guernseys-Rare-Plants.pdf>

Minute clovers (mostly)!

T. suffocatum Suffocated clover

T. subterraneum Burrowing clover

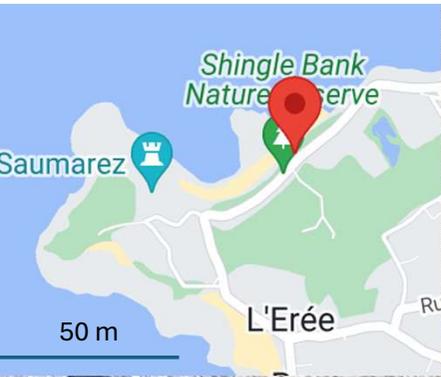
T. ornithopodioides Fenugreek

T. micranthum Slender trefoil

Trifolium arvense Hare's foot clover

Lotus subbiflorus Hairy Bird's foot
trefoil





Crambe maritima



La Rousse



Silene gallica
var. *quinquevulnera*



Matthiola sinuata

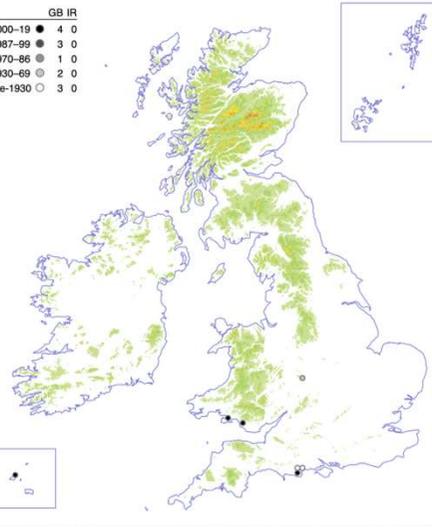




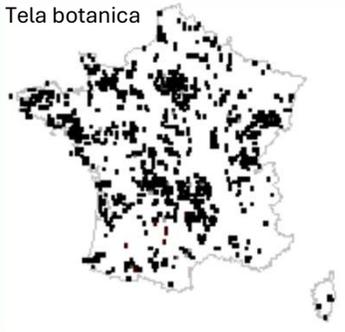
Scorzonera
Viper's gras

GB IR

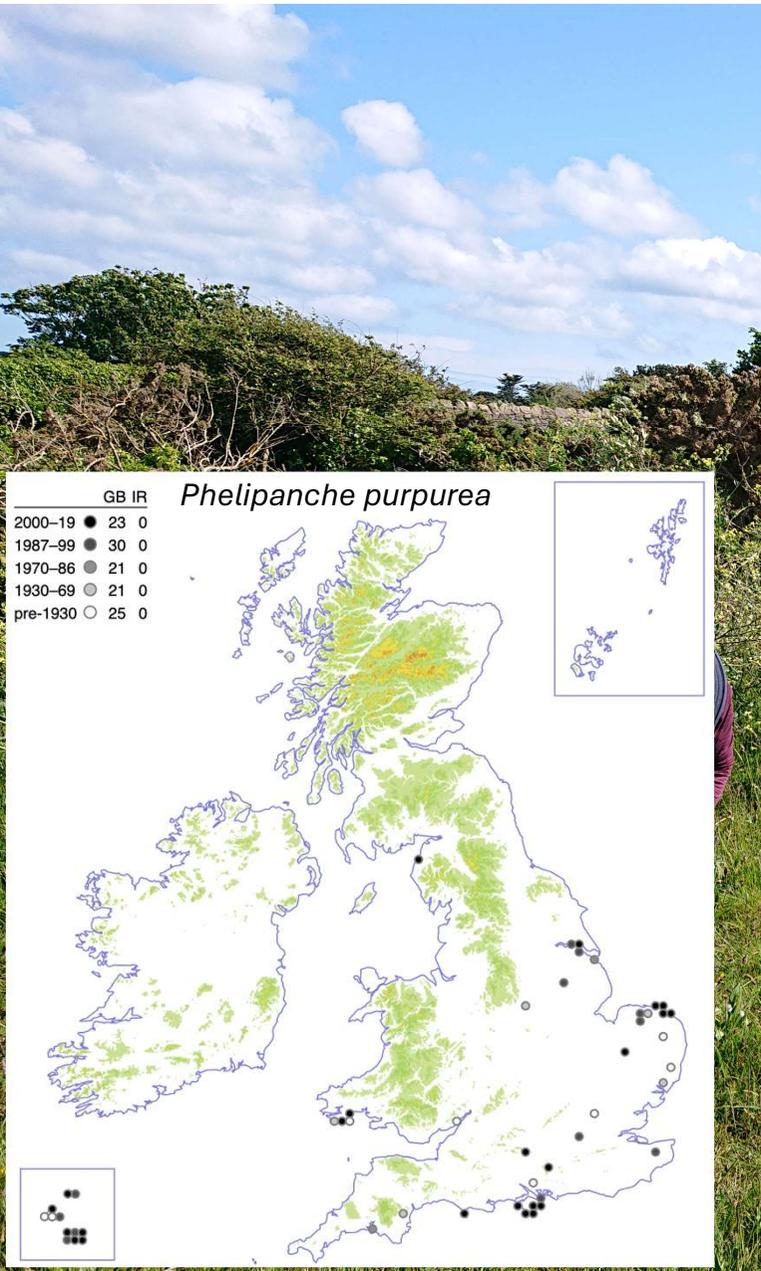
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1987-99	●	3	0
1970-86	●	1	0
1930-69	○	2	0
pre-1930	○	3	0



Tela botanica



L'Ancrese



Phelipanche purpurea



Photo: Tim Rich

Jerbourg
Point &
Moulin
Huet

*Asplenium
x microdon*

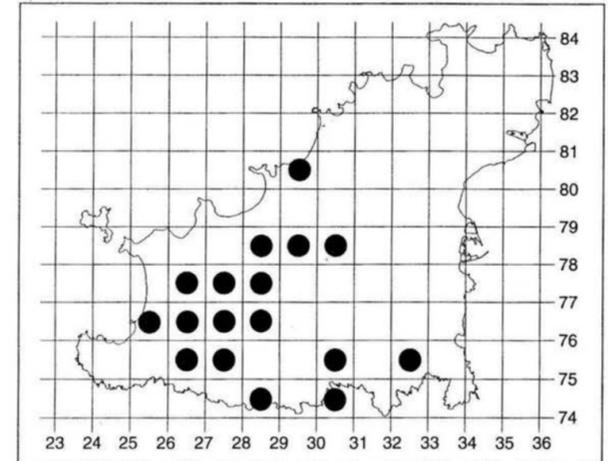


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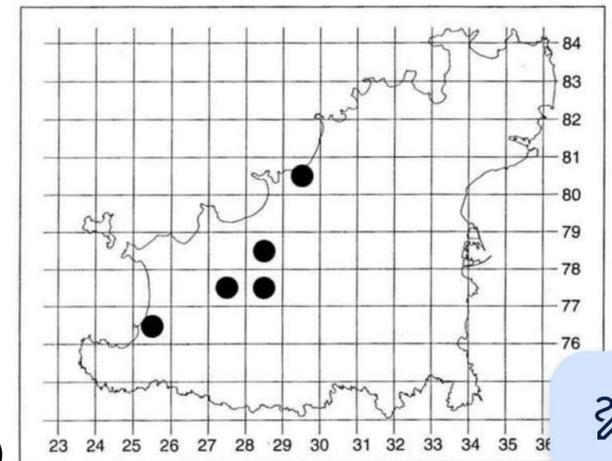
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Map 1 shows the distribution of all 20th century records (the locations of the 19th century finds are not known).



Map 2 shows the distribution of those plants known to be alive in 1994/5.



(Jee, 1994)



Last evening: Bean Jar & local brews



Les Caches farm,
National Trust
property

Photo: Tim Rich

A vibrant field of purple and yellow flowers, likely orchids and buttercups, growing in tall green grass. The scene is bright and sunny, with a clear sky and some trees visible in the background. The text 'Thank you Mercie bian!' is overlaid in the center in a white, sans-serif font.

Thank you
Mercie bian!

A photograph of a field of purple flowers and grasses. In the background, a paved road curves through a green landscape. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

Very many thanks to the organisers
and especially to La Société
Guernesiaise for a superbly
organised meeting and a very warm
welcome