

The orchid *Ophrys speculum* Link (Orchidaceae) in Croatia

Three individuals of *Ophrys speculum* ssp. *speculum* (Fig. 1) was found growing along the macadam road on the way to Cape [kara on south-eastern Kamenjak (13°54'55" N, 44°46'20" E) (Fig. 2). The road passes through garrigue vegetation of the order *Cisto- -Ericetalia* H-i}. 1958.

In the first half of April only the sprouts were observed, while in the second half the plants were fully flowering. The plants were up to 10 cm high but generally in good condition. However, the evaluation of the threat status on the national level has resulted in proposing the species as CR D (critically endangered according to criteria D).

Accompanying plant species typical of the area were recorded in the close vicinity, given alphabetically in the following list:

Cerastium pumilum Curtis ssp. *glutinatum* (Fries) Jalas, *Convolvulus arvensis* L., *Dittrichia viscosa* (L.) Greuter, *Dorycnium hirsutum* (L.) Ser., *Helichrysum italicum* (Roth.) G. Don, *Hypericum perforatum* L., *Juniperus oxycedrus* L., *Orchis morio* L., *Plantago coronopus* L., *Plantago lanceolata* L., *Sanguisorba minor* Scop. ssp. *muricata* Briq., *Sherardia arvensis* L. and *Spartium junceum* L.

The search within the ZA and ZAHO herbaria did not reveal any specimens of *O. speculum*. None of the reviewed literature references provided any note on *O. speculum* in Croatia.

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