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Anemone coronaria



Orchis quadripunctata



Plakias Bay



Tulipa bakeri

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Day 1

Tuesday 8th April

We gathered at Heraklion airport, and after loading our vehicles, set off for our base at Plakias. Although a little windy, we enjoyed some sunshine and a temperature of around 18 degrees. Oleanders *Nerium oleander*, Spanish Broom *Spartium junceum* and the invasive False Acacia *Robinia pseudoacacia* lined the coast road, before we stopped to stretch our legs and familiarise ourselves with some of the common plants. Our first orchid was *Serapias bergonii*, the commonest of this variable and sometimes confusing group. Other plants included the Eastern Strawberry Tree *Arbutus andrachne*, Branched Broomrape *Orobanche ramosa* parasitizing the ubiquitous Bemuda Buttercup *Oxalis pes-caprae*, Cretan Cistus *Cistus incanus* subsp. *creticus*, Jerusalem Sage *Phlomis fruticosa*, the Mastic Tree *Pistacia lentiscus*, *Hypericum empetrifolium* and the pungent Savory *Satureja thymbra*. Further on, we pulled in at Geropotomos Bridge, overlooking a small estuary, seeing Wood and Common Sandpipers together with a lone Yellow Wagtail of the race *feldegg*.

Turning south near Rethymnon, the roadsides were lined with the attractive *Galactites tomentosa* and a profusion of both colour forms of the Crown Daisy *Glebionis coronaria*. Magnificent plants of Giant Fennel *Ferula communis* adorned the hillsides here and were a regular sight throughout most of the trip. Beyond Armeni, we stopped for a welcome coffee break, with expansive views to the south before making for the Kourtaliotiko Gorge. The sun had left the gorge so birds were not showing too well although we counted eight Eurasian Griffon Vultures soaring overhead. Arriving at the comfortable Plakias Bay Hotel, we settled in for dinner, discussed the next day's itinerary and retired to bed, wondering what delights the following days would produce.

Day 2

Wednesday 9th April

We awoke to clear skies and a walk along the cliffs near the hotel, before breakfast. A colony of the Italian race of House Sparrow flew busily back and forth from their nest holes, high in the cliff, where Caper *Capparis spinosa* and the endemic Shrubby Mullein *Verbascum spinosum* had gained a foothold. Jerusalem Sage *Phlomis fruticosa* was

in full flower and Wall Brown, Brown Argus and Cretan Festoon were among a number of butterflies that we recorded as the day warmed up. After breakfasting we left about 9am, making our first stop at the Turkish Bridge where a confiding Wood Sandpiper was feeding among the pebbles. Storax *Styrax officinalis* was flowering by the bridge, near a fine clump of yellow Honeywort *Cerinth major*, some tall specimens of the Bean Broomrape *Orobanche crenata* and the smaller Branched Broomrape *Orobanche ramosa*, parasitizing Bermuda Buttercup *Oxalis pes-caprae*. Our next visit was to the Monastery at Moni Preveli, where the keen birders opted to walk a little way back along the road. A male Ortolan Bunting was singing from a rock accompanied by jangling Corn Buntings, and a Black-eared Wheatear with its wheezing call.

Heading inland, we had a purple patch at the Kourtaliotiko Gorge, seeing a pair of Bonelli's Eagles, numerous Griffon Vultures, Alpine Swifts, Red-billed Choughs, an all too brief view of a rare Bearded Vulture (Lammergeier) and a pair of Red-rumped Swallows swooping among the Crag Martins. Near our picnic in the hills we found some excellent specimens of Cretan Dutchman's Pipe *Aristolochia cretica*, including a rare white form. The hills around Gious Kambos, above Spili, are well known for their abundant orchids and other plants and we spent the remainder of the afternoon exploring the slopes. Magnificent stands of pink Naked Man Orchid *Orchis italica* were evident together with Man Orchid *Orchis anthropophora*, Bory's Orchid *Anacamptis boryi*, Four-spotted Orchid *Orchis quadripunctata*, the lemon-yellow *Orchis pauciflora* and the rare Sitia Orchid *Orchis sitiaca*. We spent time finding and identifying the many bemusing Bee Orchids *Ophrys* spp. and photographing the splendid display of the red Tulip *Tulipa doerfleri*, which had survived the ravages of the plough, in the surrounding fields. All too soon it was time to return to Plakias for a welcome drink and a satisfying meal, before the checklist and a well-earned sleep.

Day 3

Thursday 10th April

After a short pre-breakfast walk and shopping for our picnic, we set off east towards Phaestos. We stopped briefly in the Kourtaliotiki Gorge to view more Griffon Vultures and Ravens, before making for Spili, and a morning coffee overlooking the famous fountains. Here a huge Oriental Plane *Platanus orientalis* was breaking into leaf and made a bold statement in the town square. Beyond, we stopped for some roadside botanising, finding the showy purple Gladiolus *Gladiolus italicus* and Giant Orchid *Himantoglossum robertianum*. Many interesting discoveries followed, such as Turban Buttercup *Ranunculus asiaticus*, Common Cretan Ophrys *Ophrys cretica*, and Naked Man Orchid *Orchis italica*, together with *Gagea graeca* and Perfoliate Alexanders *Smyrniium perfoliatum* subsp. *rotundifolium*. Swathes of blue Hairy Lupin *Lupinus micranthus* and the Pale Bugloss *Echium italicum* clothed the hillside.

It was hard to leave these botanical delights but we had to move on and arrived at Phaestos around lunch time. While the picnic was being prepared, everyone explored the archaeology of this famous Minoan site, spotting Golden Orioles and Hoopoes among the ruins. As we ate our lunch, we gazed across the fertile Mesara Plain and endless rows of olive trees, artistically framed against a backdrop of snow-capped Mount Ida. Some soaring raptors caused excitement here as Booted Eagles and a Honey Buzzard were seen passing through, presumably just arrived from Africa and heading towards their breeding areas. A lone Golden Eagle was labouring up into the hills with the smaller birds of prey allowing us size comparisons. We returned via Agia Triada, where we found some impressive flowering specimens of the endemic Shrubby Sainfoin *Ebenus cretica*, where Long-tailed Blue Butterflies were enjoying its nectar. Nearby were Black Onion *Allium nigrum*, Pyramidal Orchid *Anacamptis pyramidalis* and the endemic Cretan Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid *Serapias cordigera* subsp. *cretica*. Our return

route followed a mountain road through Melambes, stopping a couple of times for orchids and flowering plants of Cretan Wall Lettuce *Petromarula pinnata*, on a roadside cliff. We arrived back in Plakias around 6.45pm after a long but eventful day.

Day 4

Friday 11th April

A bright and sunny morning heralded a perfect day for our walk down the Imbros Gorge. We made our first stop in the nearby Kotsifou Gorge where Cretan Arum *Arum creticum*, the pink endemic brassica *Ricotia cretica* and the localised Rock Groundsel *Senecio rupestris* were the botanical highlights. Of particular geological interest were the numerous large fossil Nummulites, in the limestone screes, dating back over 35 million years. We were just about to leave when a Badger came ambling down the road. We soon realised that it was injured and with the help of a local passer-by ushered it off the road, in the hope that it may recover.

Driving west through magnificent scenery and sleepy villages, we arrived at a flat expanse of abandoned fields and Olive groves, just before Frangocastello. Numerous Crested Larks were singing and displaying, and hundreds of Swifts, including Pallids, and assorted Hirundines were passing through. Moving on to the castle we looked at the beach in the hope of some wader movement, but without success, before moving on to the Imbros Gorge. We drove the long and windy road to the top and stopped at the Taverna, enjoying traditional pancakes with cheese and honey to sustain us on our eight kilometre walk. Our pace was inevitably slow as we descended the gorge, with every turn opening up a new vista and revealing new plants growing on the cliffs and screes. The yellow Tree Flax *Linum arboreum*, the abundant white *Saxifraga chrysosplenifolia*, delicate *Cyclamen creticum* and the leathery-leaved, shrubby thistle *Staebelina petiolata* were just a few of the highlights. It seemed that we would never reach the bottom of the gorge but four hours later, we were enjoying a light snack in the Taverna Komitades. When the minibus had been retrieved from the top of the gorge, we headed back to Plakias for dinner.

Day 5

Saturday 12th April

The vehicles were all packed and loaded by the end of breakfast, ready for our move to Hania but, before leaving, we walked along the cliff as far as the tunnels that had been built to defend the bay in the Second World War. We noted the endemic Tassel Hyacinth *Muscari spreitzenhoferi*, *Ophrys candida* and the rare *Dabne gnidioides*, and found the rock-hugging *Campanula tubulosa* and *Tulipa cretica* on the cliffs. A pair of Long-legged Buzzards appeared and displayed well while a distant Blue Rock Thrush sang its sweet song. As the sun finally reached the spectacular cliff, we reluctantly said our goodbyes and left the beautiful Plakias Bay.

We returned north and stopped at the late-Minoan cemetery near Armeni, where many tombs had been excavated out of the bedrock. A brief foray was made while the picnic was being prepared, after which we explored the site in depth. A canopy of Valonia Oak *Quercus ithaburensis* subsp. *macrolepis* provides light shade for a rich flora, with many Tongue Orchids *Serapias lingua* and *bergonii*, Bee Orchids *Ophrys villosa*, *heldreichii* and *bombyliflora*, the sweetly-scented shrub *Osyris alba* and *Cyclamen creticum*. Our next stop was near Georgeoupolis, where a large natural spring comes to the surface and fills a dam, to create an important water-body for birds. Here we found Garganey, Pygmy Cormorant and both Squacco and Black-crowned Night Herons before moving to the town centre for an ice cream.

On the final leg of our journey we made a visit to the Allied War Cemetery at the head of Souda Bay. The immaculately kept graves reminded us of the futility of war and we left, in reflective mood, for our hotel in Hania. Once we had settled in to our comfortable rooms, we walked a short distance to a popular local Taverna, where we enjoyed a delicious selection of traditional Cretan cuisine.

Day 6

Sunday 13th April

After breakfast we made for Agia Lake, a large wetland and one of the best sites for birds on the island. Here, with a little patience, we found the resident Little Crakes lurking among the marginal vegetation. Western Marsh Harriers patrolled the reed beds as we scanned through a wealth of waders, which included a lone Ruff, a Little Stint and many Wood Sandpipers. A Glossy Ibis showed its iridescent plumage in the morning sun. We continued to our main destination of the day, the Omalos plateau, high in the White Mountains. After a stop to photograph the view, at Lakki, we followed the new road to Omalos, now nearing completion, but making a terrible scar on the landscape that will take a long time to heal. We stopped at the cafe with its stuffed Lammergeier and captive family of Kri-kri, before venturing onto the plateau. Around lunch, we had to negotiate the rather daunting wire fences to gain access to *Tulipa bakeri* which was flowering in profusion, complimented by the mainly blue Crown Anemone *Anemone coronaria* and some lovely patches of Widow Iris *Iris tuberosa*. Sheep grazing has reduced many of the trees to bizarre shapes and only close examination revealed their identity. Woodlark sang their musical songs from treetops and Northern Wheatears vied for territory, whilst Stonechats perched on posts, declaring possession of their patch.

After our picnic we made for the head of the Samaria Gorge to admire the magnificent views of the surrounding mountains. The familiar *Aubrieta deltoidea* grew on the slopes here and the car park had some fine specimens of the endemic relative of the elm *Zelkova abelicea*, not yet in leaf. We made a clockwise circuit around the perimeter of the plateau, passing an ephemeral freshwater pool, designated as a nature reserve. We had some fun sorting through Tawny Pipits, Black-eared Wheatears and Woodchat Shrikes before descending down the S bends for a brief second visit to Agia Lake, where we added Purple Heron to our bird tally. After catching up with our checklists, we walked to the harbour for our evening meal in one of the many restaurants in the old city.

Day 7

Monday 14th April

Rain was forecast and we awoke to the sound of pattering raindrops. However this proved to be no real problem, as we spent the morning exploring the shops, markets and other attractions of Hania. Later, we drove onto the Akrotiri peninsula, visiting the Agia Triada Monastery and its grounds, before moving to the stony headland for our last picnic among the ancient olive trees. Flitting through the trees were small flocks of birds, which photographic evidence eventually helped identify as mainly Tree Pipits, with a few Red-throated and Tawny Pipits. Our picnic was enjoyed before a flower foray encountered some magnificent Dragon Arums *Dracunculus vulgaris*, with huge purple spathes and a rather pungent smell of rotting flesh.

Moving further into the peninsular we arrived at the Moni Gouverneto. It was raining steadily as we walked through the gardens and continued down a path to the cave of St. John. In several places we found the little endemic onion with corkscrew leaves *Allium circinnatum* subsp. *circinnatum*. As the weather had improved, some of us continued steeply down to the deserted Katholikou Monastery that spans a narrow gorge. Here Cretan Milfoil *Achillea cretica*, Shrubby Verbascum *Verbascum arcturus* and Dittany *Origanum dictamnus* are just three of many

endemic chasmophytes, growing on the walls and cliffs. We were back at the hotel for 6pm and after a final run through our checklists, we returned to our favourite restaurant, near the old harbour, for our last evening meal together.

Day 8

Tuesday 15th April

We left the Halepa soon after 7.30am for the airport. The two hour drive east along the coast road was uneventful and we had sufficient time for a visit to the famous archaeological site at Knossos. Check-in and the flight back to Gatwick all went smoothly and we said our farewells, having enjoyed everyone's company and hoping to meet again on another adventure.

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Species Lists

Plants (• = endemic or near endemic to Crete; ‡ = cultivated or naturalised)

Scientific name	Common name	Notes
LYCOPODIOPSIDA		
SELAGINACEAE		
Selaginellaceae <i>Selaginella denticulata</i>	Lesser Clubmoss Family Mediterranean Clubmoss	Damp earth
EQUISETOPSIDA		
EQUISETACEAE		
Equisetaceae <i>Equisetum ramosissimum</i> <i>Equisetum telmateia</i>	Horsetail Family Branched Horsetail Giant Horsetail	Hedges Wet areas. Agia
PTEROPSIDA		
ASPLENIACEAE		
Aspleniaceae <i>Asplenium ceterach</i> <i>Asplenium onopteris</i> <i>Asplenium trichomanes</i> subsp. <i>quadrivalens</i>	Spleenwort Family Rustyback Acute-leaved Spleenwort Maidenhair Spleenwort	Rock crevices. Common Shaded banks. Uncommon Cliffs. Uncommon
DENNSTAEDTIACEAE		
Dennstaedtiaceae <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken Family Bracken	Common
DRYOPTERIDACEAE		
Dryopteridaceae <i>Dryopteris pallida</i>	Buckler-fern Family Pale Buckler-fern	Shaded cliffs. Imbros
POLYPODIACEAE		
Polypodiaceae <i>Polypodium cambricum</i>	Polypody Family Southern Polypody	Cliffs. Imbros
PTERIDACEAE		
Pteridaceae <i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i> <i>Anogramma leptophylla</i> <i>Cheilanthes acrostica</i>	Maidenhair Fern Family Maidenhair Fern Jersey Fern Scented Cheilanthes	Damp cliffs Damp shaded rocks Rock crevices
WOODSIACEAE		
Woodsiaceae <i>Athyrium felix-femina</i> <i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Lady-fern Family Lady-fern Brittle Bladder-fern	Shaded cliff. Imbros gorge Mountain rocks. Uncommon
PINOPSIDA		
ARAUCARIACEAE		
Araucariaceae <i>Araucaria heterophylla</i> ‡	Monkeypuzzle Family Norfolk Island Pine	Cultivated. Coastal
CUPRESSACEAE		
Cupressaceae <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> forma. <i>horizontalis</i> <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> forma. <i>sempervirens</i> ‡ <i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i> <i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Juniper Family Cypress Italian Cypress Prickly Juniper Phoenician Juniper	Common. Sea level to treeline Cultivated Occasional. Mountains Occasional. Maquis
PINACEAE		
Pinaceae <i>Pinus halepensis</i> subsp. <i>brutia</i>	Pine Family Calabrian Pine	Frequent native tree

Scientific name	Common name	Notes
<i>Pinus pinea</i> †	Umbrella or Stone Pine	Cultivated near coasts
GNETOPSIDA	GNETOPHYTES	
Ephedraceae	Joint Pine Family	
<i>Ephedra foeminea</i>	A Joint Pine	Cliffs. Imbros Gorge
MAGNOLIOPSIDA	FLOWERING PLANTS	
MAGNOLIIDAE	DICOTYLEDONS	
Acanthaceae	Acanthus Family	
<i>Acanthus spinosus</i>	Spiny Bear's-breech	Occasional
Aceraceae	Maple Family	
<i>Acer sempervirens</i>	Cretan Maple	Common. Mountains
Aizoaceae	Dew Plant Family	
<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> ‡	Yellow Hottentot Fig	Coastal alien
<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> var. <i>rubescens</i> ‡		Coastal alien
Anacardiaceae	Sumach Family	
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree	Common in maquis
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i>	Turpentine Tree	Occasional in maquis and gorges
<i>Schinus molle</i> ‡	Californian Pepper Tree	Cultivated
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
<i>Bupleurum semicompositum</i>	Grey Hare's Ear	Rocky places near sea level
<i>Bunium ferulaceum</i>		Abandoned fields
<i>Conium maculatum</i>	Hemlock	Hedges and roadsides
<i>Crithmum maritimum</i>	Rock Samphire	Maritime rocks
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Wild Carrot	Frequent
<i>Daucus guttatus</i>	A Wild Carrot	Coastal sand. Plakias
<i>Eryngium campestre</i>	Field Eryngo	Common
<i>Eryngium creticum</i>		Frequent
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea Holly	Sand dunes
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	Common
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> subsp. <i>piperatum</i>	Fennel	Common
<i>Lagoecia cuminoides</i>	Fluffy Thimbleweed	Rocky phrygana
<i>Lecokia cretica</i>		Damp roadsides
<i>Oenanthe pimpinelloides</i>	Corky-fruited Water Dropwort	Moist woodland and fields
<i>Orlaya daucooides</i>		Frequent
<i>Pseudorlaya pumila</i>	Dune Carrot	Sand dunes. Plakias
<i>Scaligeria napiformis</i>	Scaligeria	Occasional
<i>Scandix australis</i>	Southern Shepherd's-needle	Occasional. Rocky places
<i>Scandix pecten-veneris</i>	Shepherd's-needle	Common
<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>	Alexanders	Common
<i>Smyrniolus perfoliatum</i> subsp. <i>perfoliatum</i>	Perfoliate Alexanders	Locally common
<i>Smyrniolus perfoliatum</i> subsp. <i>rotundifolium</i>	Perfoliate Alexanders	Locally common
<i>Thapsia garganica</i>		Rocky places. Fields
<i>Tordylium apulum</i>	Mediterranean Hartwort	Common
<i>Torilis leptophylla</i>	A Bur-parsley	Frequent
<i>Torilis nodosa</i>	Knotted Bur-parsley	Common

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Apocynaceae	Periwinkle Family	
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	Riverbeds. Planted on roadsides
<i>Plumeria rubra</i> ‡	Frangipani	Cultivated
<i>Vinca major</i> ‡	Greater Periwinkle	Garden escape
Araliaceae	Ivy Family	
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	Common
Aristolochiaceae	Birthwort Family	
<i>Aristolochia cretica</i> •	Cretan Birthwort	Locally common
<i>Aristolochia sempervirens</i>	Evergreen Birthwort	Agia Lake
Asteraceae	Daisy Family	
<i>Achillea cretica</i>	Cretan Sneezewort	Cliffs. Katholikou
<i>Achillea ligustica</i>	Southern Yarrow	Frequent
<i>Anthemis arvensis</i>	Corn Chamomile	Frequent. Fallow fields
<i>Anthemis chia</i>	Greek Chamomile	Common
<i>Anthemis rigida</i>	Rayless Chamomile	Common
<i>Arctotheca calendula</i> ‡	Cape Marigold	Akrotiri
<i>Artemisia arborescens</i>	Shrubby Wormwood	Roadsides near Souda
<i>Atractylis cancellata</i>	Cage Thistle	Frequent in phrygana
<i>Bellis annua</i>	Annual Daisy	Frequent in phrygana
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy	Common
<i>Bellis sylvestris</i>	Southern Daisy	Common
<i>Bellium minutum</i>		Plakias headland
<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Field Marigold	Common
<i>Carduus argentatus</i>		Locally common below cliffs
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	Plymouth Thistle	Rocky places. Waste ground
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i> subsp. <i>curetum</i> •	A Flat-topped Carlina Thistle	Rocky places
<i>Carlina corymbosa</i> subsp. <i>graeca</i>	A Flat-topped Carlina Thistle	Rocky places
<i>Carlina gummifera</i>	Pine Thistle	Phrygana and fallow fields
<i>Carthamnus dentatus</i>		Rocky places
<i>Carthamus lanatus</i> subsp. <i>baeticus</i>	Woolly Safflower	Rocky places
<i>Centaurea argentea</i>	A Knapweed	Imbros Gorge
<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	Red Star Thistle	Occasional
<i>Centaurea idaea</i> •		Rock crevices in phrygana
<i>Centaurea poculatoris</i> •		Cliffs. Imbros Gorge
<i>Centaurea raphanina</i> subsp. <i>raphanina</i> •		Common
<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	St. Barnaby's Thistle	Occasional
<i>Centaurea spinosa</i>	Spiny Knapweed	North coast beaches
<i>Centaurea spruneri</i> subsp. <i>minoa</i> •		Fallow fields
<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	Rush Skeletonweed	Sandy beaches
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Chicory	Roadsides
<i>Cichorium spinosum</i>	Spiny Chicory	Common
<i>Conyza bonariensis</i> ‡	Argentine Fleabane	Frequent on roadsides
<i>Crepis vesicaria</i>		Olive groves and stony places
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	Crupina	Rocky places and roadsides
<i>Cynara cornigera</i>	Wild Artichoke	Rocky places
<i>Cynara scolymus</i> ‡	Globe Artichoke	Cultivated
<i>Dittrichia graveolens</i>	Aromatic Inula	Common
<i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>	Stink Aster	Common
<i>Echinops spinossisimus</i>	A Globe Thistle	Common
<i>Eupatorium adenophorum</i> ‡	A shrubby Hemp-agrimony	Roadsides below Lakki

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<i>Evax pygmaea</i>	Evax	Frequent
<i>Filago pyramidata</i>	Broad-leaved Cudweed	Common
<i>Galactites tomentosa</i>	Galactites	Common
<i>Geropogon hybridus</i>	Hybrid Goat's-beard	Plakias headland
<i>Glebionis coronaria</i> var. <i>coronaria</i>	Crown Daisy	Common
<i>Glebionis coronaria</i> var. <i>discolor</i>	Crown Daisy	Common
<i>Glebionis segetum</i>	Corn Marigold	Frequent
<i>Hedypnois cretica</i>	Hedypnois	Phrygana and fallow fields
<i>Helichrysum conglobatum</i>	An Everlasting	Rocky places
<i>Helichrysum microphyllum</i>	A Curry Plant	Rocky places in mountains
<i>Helichrysum orientale</i>		Cliffs. Katholikou
<i>Helminthotheca echioides</i>	Bristly Oxtongue	Olive groves and fallow fields
<i>Hypochaeris achyrophorus</i>	Mediterranean Cat's-ear	Rocky places
<i>Hypochaeris glabra</i>	Smooth Cat's-ear	Rocky places
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Common Cat's-ear	Rocky places
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	Prickly Lettuce	Waste areas
<i>Leontodon tuberosus</i>	Tuberous Hawkbit	Phrygana
<i>Matricaria recutita</i>	Scented Mayweed	Roadsides near sea level
<i>Notobasis syriaca</i>	Syrian Thistle	Common. Roadsides and waste areas
<i>Onopordum bracteatum</i> subsp. <i>creticum</i> •		Coastal sand and rocky places
<i>Onopordum tauricum</i>		Roadsides and rocky places
<i>Otanthus maritimus</i>	Cottonweed	Sand dunes
<i>Pallenis spinosa</i>	Pallenis	Common
<i>Phagnalon graecum</i>	A Phagnalon	Rocks, cliffs and walls
<i>Picnomon acarna</i>	Yellow-spine Thistle	Stony ground and roadsides
<i>Ptilostemon chamaepeuce</i>	Shrubby Ptilostemon	Cliffs and rocky banks
<i>Rhagadiolus stellatus</i>	Star Hawkbit	Common
<i>Reichardia picroides</i>		Rocky places and coastal sand
<i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>	Spanish Oyster Plant	Waste areas
<i>Scorzonera cretica</i> •	Cretan Viper's-grass	Cliffs
<i>Senecio rupestris</i>	Rock Groundsel	Kotsifou Gorge
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	Common
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Milk Thistle	Common. Waste areas
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Prickly Sow –thistle	Waste areas
<i>Sonchus bulbosus</i> subsp. <i>microcephalus</i>		Widespread
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Smooth Sow-thistle	Waste areas
<i>Staelhelina fruticosa</i>		Cliffs
<i>Staelhelina petiolata</i> •		Cliffs
<i>Tolpis barbata</i>	Tolpis	Occasional in phrygana
<i>Tragopogon sinuatus</i>	A Goat's-beard	Common
<i>Tyrimnus leucographus</i>	Tyrimnus	Disturbed ground
<i>Urospermum picroides</i>	Prickly Goldenfleece	Disturbed ground
<i>Xanthium spinosum</i> ‡	Spiny Cocklebur	Weedy places
<i>Xeranthemum inapertum</i>	Xeranthemum	Stony phrygana
Berberidaceae	Barberry Family	
<i>Berberis cretica</i>	Cretan Barberry	Mountains
Bignoniaceae	Jacaranda Family	
<i>Jacaranda ovalifolia</i> ‡	Jacaranda	Cultivated
Boraginaceae	Borage Family	

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<i>Alkanna sieberi</i>	An Alkanet	Occasional. Weedy places and phrygana
<i>Alkanna tinctoria</i>	Dyer's Alkanet	Dry rocky places
<i>Anchusa hybrida</i>	Wavy-leaved Anchusa	Roadsides
<i>Anchusa aegyptiaca</i>	Eastern Alkanet	Dry places near sea level
<i>Anchusa italica</i>	Large Blue Alkanet	Roadsides
<i>Anchusa variegata</i>	Variegated Anchusa	Imbros Gorge
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	Borage	Weedy places
<i>Cerintho major</i>	Honeywort	Turkish Bridge
<i>Cynoglossum columnae</i>	A Hound's-tongue	Occasional
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Blue Hound's-tongue	Common
<i>Echium angustifolium</i>	Narrow-leaved Bugloss	Common near coast
<i>Echium italicum</i> subsp. <i>biebersteinii</i>	Pale Bugloss	Common
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Viper's Bugloss	Common
<i>Myosotis incrassata</i>	A Forget-me-not	Rocky places
<i>Onosma graecum</i>	A Golden Drops	Armeni Minoan Cemetery
<i>Symphytum creticum</i>	Cretean Comfrey	Shady cliffs
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
<i>Aethionema saxatile</i> subsp. <i>creticum</i>	Burnt Candytuft	Dry rocky places
<i>Alyssum simplex</i>		Dry rocky places
<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Thale Cress	Common
<i>Arabis verna</i>	Spring Rockcress	Frequent
<i>Aubrieta deltoidea</i>	Aubrieta	Omalos
<i>Biscutella didyma</i>	Buckler Mustard	Common
<i>Brassica cretica</i>	Cretean cabbage	Imbros Gorge
<i>Brassica nigra</i> ‡	Black Mustard	Roadsides
<i>Cakile maritima</i>	Sea Rocket	Plakias beach
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's-purse	Common
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy Bittercress	Common
<i>Cheiranthus cheiri</i> ‡	Wallflower	Garden escape
<i>Coronopus didymus</i>	Lesser Swine-cress	Garden weed
<i>Erophila verna</i>	Common Whitlow Grass	Common
<i>Eruca sativa</i>	Garden Rocket	Olive groves and fallow fields
<i>Erysimum candicum</i> •	A Treacle Mustard	Imbros Gorge
<i>Erysimum raulinii</i> •	A Treacle Mustard	Imbros Gorge
<i>Hirschfeldia incana</i>	Hoary Mustard	Fallow fields and roadsides
<i>Lepidium draba</i>	Hoary Cress	Armeni
<i>Lunaria annua</i> subsp. <i>pachyrhiza</i>	Honesty	Occasional
<i>Malcolmia chia</i>	A Malcolmia	Phrygana near sea level
<i>Malcolmia flexuosa</i> subsp. <i>naxensis</i>	A Malcolmia	Rocks and walls near sea level
<i>Matthiola sinuata</i>	Sea Stock	Kourtaliotiko Gorge
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	Coasts
<i>Nasturtium officinale</i>	Watercress	Wet ditches and streams
<i>Ricotia cretica</i> •	Ricotia	Gorges and screes
<i>Sinapis alba</i>	White Mustard	Roadsides
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Hedge Mustard	Weedy places
Cactaceae	Cactus Family	
<i>Opuntia cylindrica</i> ‡		Cultivated and naturalised. Plakias
<i>Opuntia ficus-barbarica</i> ‡	Prickly Pear	Cultivated and naturalised
Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
<i>Campanula cretica</i> •		Imbros Gorge

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<i>Campanula erinus</i>	Annual Bellflower	Frequent
<i>Campanula saxatilis</i> subsp. <i>saxatilis</i> •		Walls of Katholikou
<i>Campanula tubulosa</i> •		Plakias headland
Capparaceae	Caper Family	
<i>Capparis spinosa</i>	Caper	Frequent on cliffs
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
<i>Lonicera etrusca</i>	Etruscan Honeysuckle	Occasional
<i>Sambucus ebulus</i>	Dwarf Elder	Occasional
<i>Sambucus nigra</i> ‡	Elder	Naturalised around villages
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Agrostemma githago</i>	Corn-cockle	Arable weed. Gious Kambos
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear	Omalos
<i>Cerastium scaposum</i> •	Cretan Mouse-ear	Locally common
<i>Dianthus fruticosus</i> subsp. <i>creticus</i> •		Cliffs. Katholikou
<i>Paronychia macrosepala</i>	A Paronychia	Frequent
<i>Petrorhagia dianthoides</i> •		Imbros Gorge
<i>Petrorhagia velutina</i>	Kohlrauschia	Frequent. Rocky places
<i>Sagina apetala</i>	Annual Pearlwort	Common
<i>Silene colorata</i>	Mediterranean Catchfly	Common
<i>Silene cretica</i>	Cretan Catchfly	Frequent
<i>Silene dichotoma</i>	Forked Catchfly	Gious Kambos and Melambes
<i>Silene gallica</i>	Small-flowered Catchfly	Common
<i>Silene gigantea</i>		Cliffs. Kotsifou gorge
<i>Silene integripetala</i> subsp. <i>greuteri</i> •		Rocky places in gorges
<i>Silene sieberi</i> •		Rocky places
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion	Frequent
<i>Spergula arvensis</i>	Corn Spurrey	Fallow fields
<i>Spergularia bocconeii</i>	A Sea Spurrey	Maritime sand
<i>Stellaria cupaniana</i>	A Chickweed	Weedy places
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed	Common. Weedy places
Chenopodiaceae	Goosefoot Family	
<i>Beta vulgaris</i> subsp. <i>maritima</i>	Sea Beet	Maritime sand
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	Fat Hen	Waste areas
<i>Chenopodium murale</i>	Nettle-leaved Goosefoot	Waste areas
<i>Salsola kali</i>	Prickly Saltwort	Plakias beach
<i>Suaeda vera</i>	Shrubby Sea-blite	Coastal rocks
Cistaceae	Rock-rose Family	
<i>Cistus creticus</i>	Pink Cistus	Common
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>	Narrow-leaved Cistus	Frequent in maquis
<i>Cistus parviflorus</i>	Small-flowered Cistus	Frequent in maquis
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	Locally common
<i>Fumana arabica</i>	Arabian Fumana	Common. Rocky places
<i>Fumana thymifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved Fumana	Common. Rocky places
<i>Tuberaria guttata</i>	Spotted Rock-rose	Open rocky phrygana
Convolvulaceae	Bindweed Family	
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	Common
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Field Bindweed	Frequent. Waste places

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<i>Convolvulus elegantissimus</i>	Elegant Bindweed	Frequent in phrygana
<i>Convolvulus oleifolius</i>	A Bindweed	Dry rocky places
<i>Convolvulus siculus</i>	Small Blue Bindweed	Rocky places
<i>Cuscuta epithymum</i>	Common Dodder	Frequent parasite
<i>Ipomea indica</i> †	A Morning Glory	Cultivated
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Rosularia serrata</i>		Cliffs
<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop	Rocks and walls
<i>Sedum album</i>	White Stonecrop	Rocky places
<i>Sedum amplexicaule</i> subsp. <i>tenuifolium</i>		Rocks and screes
<i>Sedum creticum</i> •		Cliffs
<i>Sedum laconicum</i>		Rocky mountain slopes
<i>Sedum litoreum</i>	Coastal Stonecrop	Rocky places
<i>Sedum praesidis</i> •		Rocky phrygana
<i>Sedum rubens</i>	Red Stonecrop	Rocky places
<i>Sedum sediforme</i>	Mediterranean Stonecrop	Rocky places
<i>Umbilicus horizontalis</i>	A Pennywort	Shaded cliffs
Cucurbitaceae	Cucumber Family	
<i>Bryonia cretica</i>	White Bryony	Rocky places. Walls
<i>Ecballium elaterium</i>	Squirting Cucumber	Waste places
Cytinaceae	Cytinus Family	
<i>Cytinus hypocistis</i> subsp. <i>clusii</i>	Cytinus	Parasite on <i>Cistus creticus</i>
<i>Cytinus hypocistis</i> subsp. <i>hypocistis</i>	Cytinus	Parasite on <i>Cistus salvifolius</i>
Dipsacaceae	Teasel Family	
<i>Knautia integrifolia</i>	A Scabious	Occasional in phrygana
<i>Lomelosia brachiata</i>	Tremastelma	Rocky places
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
<i>Arbutus andrachne</i>	Eastern Strawberry Tree	Local in maquis
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry Tree	Common in maquis
<i>Erica arborea</i>	Tree Heather	Common in maquis
<i>Erica manipuliflora</i>		Widespread on cliffs
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
<i>Euphorbia acanthothamnos</i>	Greek Spiny Spurge	Common
<i>Euphorbia chamaesyce</i>	Small Spurge	Bare ground
<i>Euphorbia characias</i> subsp. <i>characias</i>	Large Mediterranean Spurge	Widespread
<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i>	Tree Spurge	Maritime cliffs
<i>Euphorbia exigua</i>	Dwarf Spurge	Bare ground
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	Widespread
<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Sea Spurge	Maritime sand
<i>Euphorbia peplis</i>	Purple Spurge	Sandy beaches
<i>Euphorbia peplus</i>	Petty Spurge	Bare ground
<i>Euphorbia sultan-hassei</i> •	A Tree Spurge	Cliffs. Imbros Gorge
<i>Mercurialis annua</i>	Annual Mercury	Common
<i>Ricinus communis</i> †	Castor Oil Plant	Frequent naturalised weed
Fabaceae	Pea Family	
<i>Anagyris foetida</i>	Bean Trefoil	Scrub and waste areas

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<i>Anthyllis hermanniae</i>	Hermann's Kidney vetch	Maquis, phrygana and cliffs near the sea
<i>Anthyllis tetraphylla</i>	Bladder Vetch	Common
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> subsp. <i>rubriflora</i>	A Kidney Vetch	Common
<i>Astragalus angustifolius</i>	A Milk-vetch	Common above Omalos
<i>Bituminaria bituminosa</i>	Pitch Trefoil	Common
<i>Calicotome villosa</i>	Hairy Thorny Broom	Common
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	Common
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i> †	Judus Tree	Frequently planted
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	Annual Scorpion Vetch	Common
<i>Ebenus cretica</i> •	Shrubby Sainfoin	Cliffs and hillsides
<i>Erythrina crus-galli</i> †	Coral Tree	Cultivated. Hania
<i>Genista acanthoclada</i>	Spiny Broom	Common
<i>Hippocrepis biflora</i>	A Horseshoe Vetch	Rocky places
<i>Hymenocarpus circinnatus</i>	Disc Trefoil	Widespread
<i>Lathyrus annuus</i>	Annual Vetchling	Widespread
<i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>	Yellow Vetchling	Widespread
<i>Lathyrus cicera</i>	Flat-podded Vetchling	Olive groves and stony hillsides
<i>Lathyrus clymenum</i>	Crimson Pea	Frequent
<i>Lathyrus ochrus</i>	Winged Vetchling	Armeni
<i>Lathyrus setifolius</i>	Red Vetchling	Frequent
<i>Lathyrus sphaericus</i>	Round Pea	Frequent
<i>Lotus conimbricensis</i>	A Bird's-foot Trefoil	Fallow fields
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	Damp places
<i>Lotus cytisoides</i>	A Bird's-foot Trefoil	Sands and rocks near the sea
<i>Lotus edulis</i>	Edible Lotus	Widespread
<i>Lotus ornithopodioides</i>	Clustered Bird's-foot Trefoil	Widespread
<i>Lupinus albus</i> †	White Lupin	Occasional
<i>Lupinus angustifolius</i>	Narrow-leaved Lupin	Stony ground
<i>Lupinus micranthus</i>	A Hairy Lupin	Fallow fields
<i>Lupinus pilosus</i>	A Hairy Lupin	Locally common. Sometimes cultivated
<i>Medicago arabica</i>	Spotted Medick	Occasional
<i>Medicago arborea</i>	Tree Medick	Planted and naturalised
<i>Medicago disciformis</i>	A Medick	Stony ground near the sea
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Black Medick	Common
<i>Medicago marina</i>	Sea Medick	Sand dunes
<i>Medicago murex</i>	A Bur Medick	Rocky places
<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	Disc Medick	Rocky or sandy places
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Toothed Medick	Widespread
<i>Medicago sativa</i> †	Lucerne	Occasional
<i>Mellilotus indicus</i>	Small Mellilot	Widespread
<i>Ononis reclinata</i>	Small Restharrow	Widespread
<i>Ononis spinosa</i> subsp. <i>diacantha</i>	Spiny Restharrow	Rocky places
<i>Ornithopus compressus</i>	Compressed Bird's-foot	Rocky places
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> †	False Acacia	Cultivated and naturalised
<i>Scorpiurus muricatus</i>	Scorpion Vetch	Rocky and sandy places
<i>Securigera cretica</i>		Weedy places
<i>Securigera globosa</i> •		Cliffs. Imbros Gorge
<i>Securigera securidaca</i>		Widespread
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish Broom	Roadsides and maquis
<i>Tetragonolobus purpureus</i>	Asparagus Pea	Widespread
<i>Trifolium angustifolium</i>	Narrow-leaved Clover	Widespread
<i>Trifolium arvense</i>	Hare's-foot Clover	Weedy places

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<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	Rocky and sandy places
<i>Trifolium fragiferum</i>	Strawberry Clover	Bare ground
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	Widespread
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	Common
<i>Trifolium tomentosum</i>	Woolly Trefoil	Fields and rocky places
<i>Trifolium uniflorum</i>	One-flowered Clover	Widespread
<i>Trigonella graeca</i>	A Trigonella	Disturbed ground
<i>Vicia bithynica</i>	Bithynian Vetch	Widespread
<i>Vicia cretica</i>	Cretan Vetch	Rocky places
<i>Vicia hybrida</i>	Hairy Yellow Vetchling	Common
<i>Vicia lathyroides</i>	Spring Vetch	Phrygana
<i>Vicia lutea</i>	Yellow Vetch	Common
<i>Vicia sativa</i> subsp. <i>sativa</i> ‡	Common Vetch	Escape from cultivation
<i>Vicia villosa</i>	A Fodder Vetch	Common
<i>Wisteria sinensis</i> ‡	Wisteria	Cultivated
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
<i>Castanea sativa</i> ‡	Sweet Chestnut	Cultivated and occasionally naturalised
<i>Quercus coccifera</i> subsp. <i>calliprinos</i>	Kermes Oak	Common
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holm Oak	Occasional
<i>Quercus ithaburensis</i> subsp. <i>macrolepis</i>	Valonia Oak	Common around Armeni
<i>Quercus pubescens</i>	Downy Oak	Common around Armeni
Frankeniaceae	Sea Heath Family	
<i>Frankenia hirsuta</i>	Hairy Sea Heath	Maritime rocks and sand
Fumariaceae	Fumitory Family	
<i>Fumaria capreolata</i>	White Ramping Fumitory	Frequent
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i>	Common Fumitory	Weedy places and fields
Gentianaceae	Gentian Family	
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i> subsp. <i>intermedia</i>	Yellow-wort	Damp places
<i>Centaurium erythraea</i>	Common Centaury	Rocky places
<i>Centaurium maritimum</i>	Sea Centaury	Coastal
Geraniaceae	Geranium Family	
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	Disturbed areas and coastal sands
<i>Erodium malacoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill	Olive groves and rocky places
<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	Musk Stork's-bill	Olive groves and rocky places
<i>Geranium columbinum</i>	Long-stalked Crane's-bill	Rocky places
<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	Damp ground
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill	Shady places
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	Olive groves and rocky places
<i>Geranium purpureum</i>	Little Robin	Olive groves and rocky places
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert	Shady places
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	Round-leaved Crane's-bill	Olive groves and rocky places
Hypericaceae	St. John's-wort Family	
<i>Hypericum empetrifolium</i> subsp. <i>empetrifolium</i>	Crowberry-leaved St John's-wort	Maquis
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perfoliate St John's-wort	Rocky places
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perforate St John's-wort	Rocky places
<i>Hypericum triquetrifolium</i>		Waste places

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Juglandaceae	Walnut Family	
<i>Juglans regia</i> †	Walnut	Cultivated
Lamiaceae	Dead-nettle Family	
<i>Ballota acetabulosa</i>	Garden Horehound	River beds near sea level
<i>Ballota nigra</i>	Black Horehound	Waste places
<i>Ballota pseudodictamnus</i>	False Dittany	Rocky phrygana
<i>Clinopodium alpinum</i> subsp. <i>alpinum</i>	Alpine Basil Thyme	Rocky places in mountains
<i>Clinopodium creticum</i> •		Gorge bed. Imbros Gorge
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	Wild Basil	Maquis and phrygana
<i>Coridothymus capitatus</i>	Shrubby Thyme	Common
<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Henbit Dead-nettle	Common
<i>Lavandula stoechas</i>	French Lavender	Local in maquis
<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>	White Horehound	Waste places
<i>Melittis melissophyllum</i> subsp. <i>albida</i>	Bastard Balm	Gorge bed. Imbros
<i>Mentha aquatica</i>	Water Mint	Wet places
<i>Mentha longifolia</i>	Horse Mint	Wet places
<i>Mentha pulegium</i>	Pennyroyal	Damp places
<i>Mentha spicata</i>	Spear Mint	Damp places
<i>Micromeria juliana</i>	Micromeria	Rocky places
<i>Micromeria nervosa</i>		Rocky places
<i>Nepeta scordotis</i>		Occasional
<i>Origanum dictamnus</i> •	Cretan Dittany	Shaded cliffs
<i>Origanum microphyllum</i>		Omalos plateau
<i>Origanum onites</i>	White Marjoram	Occasional
<i>Origanum vulgare</i> subsp. <i>hirtum</i>	Marjoram	Frequent in maquis
<i>Phlomis cretica</i>		Locally common
<i>Phlomis fruticosa</i>	Jerusalem Sage	Common
<i>Phlomis lanata</i> •		Phaestos
<i>Prasium majus</i>	Prasium	Common
<i>Prunella lacinata</i>	Cut-leaved Self-heal	Occasional. Fallow fields
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	Self-heal	Occasional. Damp places
<i>Salvia fruticosa</i>	Three-leaved Sage	Common
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	Common
<i>Satureja thymbra</i>	Satureia	Maquis and phrygana
<i>Scutellaria sieberi</i> •	A Skullcap	Cliffs and rocky banks
<i>Sideritis curvidens</i>		Rocky places
<i>Sideritis syriaca</i> subsp. <i>syriaca</i> •	Mountain Tea	Mountains
<i>Stachys cretica</i> subsp. <i>cretica</i>	Mediterranean Woundwort	Common
<i>Teucrium alpestre</i> •	A Germander	Cliffs and rocks
<i>Teucrium capitatum</i>		Rocky places
<i>Teucrium divaricatum</i>		Rocky places
Linaceae	Flax Family	
<i>Linum arboreum</i>	Tree Flax	Cliffs in gorges
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Biennial Flax	Frequent
Lythraceae	Loosestrife Family	
<i>Lythrum hyssopifolia</i>	Grass-poly	Wet ditches
<i>Lythrum junceum</i>	Creeping Loosestrife	Wet ditches
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
<i>Alcea biennis</i>	Wild Hollyhock	Occasional

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<i>Althaea hirsuta</i>	Hairy Mallow	Frequent
<i>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</i> †	Hibiscus	Cultivated
<i>Lavatera arborea</i>	Tree Mallow	Coast. Hania
<i>Lavatera bryonifolia</i>	Bryony-leaved Mallow	Common
<i>Lavatera cretica</i>	Cretan Hollyhock	Waste areas
<i>Malva cretica</i>	Cretan Mallow	Rocky places
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	Common
Meliaceae	Mahogany Family	
<i>Melia azedarach</i> †	Persian Lilac	Cultivated
Mimosaceae	Acacia Family	
<i>Acacia cyanophylla</i> †	Blue-leaved Wattle	Cultivated
<i>Acacia pycnantha</i> †	Golden Wattle	Cultivated
<i>Acacia retinoides</i> †	Swamp Wattle	Cultivated
Moraceae	Mulberry Family	
<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	Frequent
<i>Ficus elastica</i> †	Rubber Plant	Cultivated
<i>Morus alba</i> †	White Mulberry	Cultivated
Myoporaceae	Myoporum Family	
<i>Myoporum laetum</i> †	Ngaio	Cultivated
Myrtaceae	Myrtle Family	
<i>Callistemon viminalis</i> †	Bottlebrush	Cultivated
<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i> †	River Red Gum	Cultivated
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Common Myrtle	Occasional along watercourses
Nyctaginaceae	Bougainvillea Family	
<i>Bougainvillea glabra</i> †	Bougainvillea	Cultivated
Oleaceae	Olive Family	
<i>Olea europaea</i> subsp. <i>oleaster</i>	Olive	Occasional as a wild tree
<i>Phillyrea latifolia</i>	Mock Privet	Occasional in maquis
Onagraceae	Willowherb Family	
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	Greater Willowherb	Wet ditches
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
<i>Orobanche crenata</i>	Bean Broomrape	Turkish Bridge
<i>Orobanche pubescens</i>	Downy Broomrape	Parasitic on Umbellifers
<i>Orobanche ramosa</i>	Branched Broomrape	Common on <i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family	
<i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i> †	Bermuda Buttercup	Common weed
Paeoniaceae	Peony Family	
<i>Paeonia clusii</i> subsp. <i>clusii</i> •	Clusius' Peony	Omalos
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
<i>Glaucium flavum</i>	Yellow Horned Poppy	Coast
<i>Papaver hybridum</i>	Rough Poppy	Uncommon

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<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy	Common
Pittosporaceae	Pittosporum Family	
<i>Pittosporum tobira</i> †	A Pittosporum	Cultivated
Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
<i>Plantago afra</i>	Branched Plantain	Common
<i>Plantago bellardia</i>	Hairy Plantain	Common
<i>Plantago cretica</i>	A Plantain	Rocky places near coast
<i>Plantago lagopus</i>	Hare's-tail Plantain	Frequent
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain	Olive groves. Damp places
<i>Plantago major</i>	Greater Plantain	Damp places
<i>Plantago weldenii</i>		Widespread
Platanaceae	Plane Family	
<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Oriental Plane	River valleys
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family	
<i>Limoniastrum monopetalum</i> †	Limoniastrum	Cultivated. Hania
<i>Limonium graecum</i>	A Sea-lavender	Cliffs. Plakias
Polygalaceae	Milk-wort Family	
<i>Polygala monspeliaca</i>	Mediterranean Milkwort	Occasional
<i>Polygala venulosa</i>	Eastern Milk-wort	Frequent
Polygonaceae	Dock Family	
<i>Emex spinosa</i>	Emex	Occasional. Bare ground
<i>Persicaria salicifolia</i>	Willow-leaved Bistort	Agia lake
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Knotgrass	Disturbed ground
<i>Polygonum equisetiforme</i>	Horsetail Knotgrass	Olive groves. Roadsides
<i>Polygonum maritimum</i>	Sea Knotgrass	Coastal sands
<i>Rumex bucephalophorus</i>	Bull's-head Dock	Common
<i>Rumex conglomeratus</i>	Clustered Dock	Wet places
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curled Dock	Occasional
<i>Rumex pulcher</i>	Fiddle Dock	Damp places
<i>Rumex tuberosus</i> subsp. <i>creticus</i>		Rocky places
Portulacaceae	Purslane Family	
<i>Portulaca oleracea</i>	Purslane	Disturbed ground
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i> var. <i>arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel	Common
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i> subsp. <i>foemina</i>	Blue Pimpernel	Common
<i>Anagallis foemina</i>	A Pimpernel	Common
<i>Asterolinon linum-stellatum</i>	Asterolinon	Frequent
<i>Cyclamen creticum</i> •	Cretan Sowbread	Locally common
<i>Cyclamen graecum</i> subsp. <i>candicum</i> •	Greek Sowbread	Widespread
<i>Samolus valerandi</i>	Brookweed	Wet rocks. Georgiopolis
Punicaceae	Pomegranate Family	
<i>Punica granatum</i> †	Pomegranate	Cultivated

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Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Adonis microcarpa</i> subsp. <i>cretica</i> •	Yellow Pheasant's-eye	Akrotiri peninsula
<i>Adonis microcarpa</i> subsp. <i>microcarpa</i>	Yellow Pheasant's-eye	Red-flowered
<i>Anemone coronaria</i>	Crown Anemone	Gious Kambos. Omalos
<i>Anemone hortensis</i> subsp. <i>heldreichii</i>	Heldreich's Anemone	Widespread
<i>Clematis cirrhosa</i>	Virgins Bower	Occasional. Maquis and roadsides
<i>Delphinium staphisagria</i>	Lice Bane	Imbros Gorge
<i>Ficaria verna</i> subsp. <i>chrysocephala</i>	A Lesser Celandine	Common
<i>Nigella damascena</i>	Love-in-a-Mist	Plakias headland
<i>Ranunculus arvensis</i>	Corn Buttercup	Fields
<i>Ranunculus asiaticus</i>	Turban Buttercup	Locally common
<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i> subsp. <i>aleae</i>	Bulbous Buttercup	Moist shady places
<i>Ranunculus bullatus</i>		Locally common. Autumn flowering
<i>Ranunculus chius</i>		Widespread
<i>Ranunculus creticus</i> •	Cretan Buttercup	Shady cliffs
<i>Ranunculus trichophyllus</i>	Thread-leaved Water-crowfoot	Aquatic
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Reseda alba</i>	White Mignonette	Waste areas
<i>Reseda luteola</i>	Weld	Waste areas
Rhamnaceae	Buckthorn Family	
<i>Rhamnus lycioides</i> subsp. <i>oleoides</i>	A Buckthorn	Frequent in phrygana
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i> subsp. <i>azarella</i>	A Hawthorn	Common
<i>Cydonia oblonga</i> ‡	Quince	Cultivated
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i> ‡	Japanese Loquat	Cultivated
<i>Poterium creticum</i> •	Cretan Salad Burnet	Cliffs. Imbros Gorge
<i>Poterium sanguisorba</i> subsp. <i>verrucosa</i>	Salad Burnet	Frequent
<i>Prunus dulcis</i> ‡	Almond	Cultivated
<i>Prunus persica</i> ‡	Peach	Cultivated
<i>Pyracantha coccinea</i> ‡	Firethorn	Cultivated
<i>Pyrus communis</i> ‡	Domestic Pear	Cultivated
<i>Pyrus spinosa</i>	Almond-leaved Pear	Common
<i>Rosa canina</i>	Dog Rose	Frequent
<i>Rosa sempervirens</i>	Evergreen Rose	Frequent
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	A Bramble	Common
<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i>	Thorny Burnet	Common
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Asperula pubescens</i> •		Cliffs. Kotsifou Gorge
<i>Asperula rigida</i> •		Mountain rocks
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	Waste places
<i>Galium fruticosum</i> •		Cliffs
<i>Rubia peregriana</i>	Wild Madder	Frequent in scrub
<i>Sherardia arvensis</i>	Field Madder	Common
<i>Valentia hispida</i>		Dry rocky places
<i>Valentia muralis</i>		Dry rocky places
Rutaceae	Rue Family	
<i>Citrus limon</i> ‡	Lemon	Cultivated
<i>Citrus sinensis</i> ‡	Orange	Cultivated

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<i>Ruta chalpensis</i> subsp. <i>chalepensis</i>	Fringed Rue	Occasional
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
<i>Populus alba</i>	White Poplar	Common
<i>Salix alba</i>	White Willow	By rivers
Santalaceae	Bastard-toadflax Family	
<i>Osyris alba</i>	Osyris	Locally common
Saxifragaceae	Saxifrage Family	
<i>Saxifraga chrysosplenifolia</i>	A Saxifrage	Locally common
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Bellardia trixago</i>	Bellardia	Frequent in meadows
<i>Cymbalaria muralis</i>	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	Walls
<i>Linaria pelisseriana</i>	Jersey Toadflax	Frequent in phrygana
<i>Misopates orontium</i>	Weasel's-snout	Occasional
<i>Parentucellia latifolia</i>	Southern Red Bartsia	Common
<i>Parentucellia viscosa</i>	Yellow Bartsia	Occasional. Damp places
<i>Scrophularia auriculata</i>	Water Figwort	Wet ditches
<i>Scrophularia lucida</i>	Shining Figwort	Occasional
<i>Scrophularia peregrina</i>	Nettle-leaved Figwort	Common. Imbros Gorge
<i>Verbascum arcturus</i> •	Shrubby Mullein	Common on cliffs
<i>Verbascum macrurum</i>	A Mullein	Common
<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i>	Wavy-leaved Mullien	Common
<i>Verbascum spinosum</i> •	Spiny Mullein	Common
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	Wall Speedwell	Widespread
<i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>	Cymbalaria-leaved Speedwell	Widespread
<i>Veronica persica</i> ‡	Common Field Speedwell	Naturalised near the sea
Simaroubaceae	Tree of Heaven Family	
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i> ‡	Tree of Heaven	Naturalised
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
<i>Hyoscyamus albus</i>	White Henbane	Weedy places and walls. Hania
<i>Lycium barbarum</i> ‡	Duke of Argyll's Tea Plant	Naturalised near the coast
<i>Mandragora autumnalis</i>	Mandrake	Frequent
<i>Nicotiana glauca</i> ‡	Shrub Tobacco	Naturalised along roadsides
<i>Solanum nigrum</i>	Black Nightshade	Weedy places
<i>Solanum villosum</i>	Hairy Nightshade	Damp places
Styracaceae	Storax Family	
<i>Styrax officinalis</i>	Mediterranean Storax	Frequent
Tamaricaceae	Tamarisk Family	
<i>Tamarix parviflora</i>	Small-flowered Tamarisk	Coastal
<i>Tamarix smyrnensis</i> ‡	A Tamarisk	Planted. Plakias beach
Thymelaeaceae	Mezereon Family	
<i>Daphne gnidioides</i>	A Daphne	Plakias headland
<i>Daphne sericea</i>	A Daphne	Common in mountains
<i>Thymelaea hirsuta</i>	Hairy Thymelaea	Rocky places near the sea
<i>Thymelaea tartonraria</i>	A Thymelaea	Rocky places near the sea

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Ulmaceae	Elm Family	
<i>Ulmus minor</i> ‡	Small-leaved Elm	Occasional. Planted
<i>Zelkova abelicea</i> •	A Zelkova	Omalos plateau
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
<i>Parietaria cretica</i>	Cretan Pellitory	Rocks and walls
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory of the Wall	Rocks and walls
<i>Urtica membranacea</i>	Membranous Nettle	Weedy places
<i>Urtica pilulifera</i>	Roman Nettle	Weedy places
<i>Urtica urens</i>	Small Nettle	Weedy places
Valerianaceae	Valerian Family	
<i>Centranthus calcitrapa</i>	Annual Valerian	Rocky places
<i>Centranthus ruber</i> ‡	Red Valerian	Walls
<i>Fedia cornucopiae</i>	Fedia	Rocky places
<i>Valeriana asarifolia</i> •	Cretan Valerian	Cliffs and rocky places
<i>Valerianella coronata</i>	A Corn Salad	Rocky places
<i>Valerianella echinata</i>	A Corn Salad	Rocky places
Verbenaceae	Vervain Family	
<i>Lantana camara</i> ‡	Lantana	Cultivated
<i>Verbena officinalis</i>	Vervain	Occasional. Waste areas
<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	Chaste Tree	Gorge beds and damp places
Vitaceae	Vine Family	
<i>Vitis vinifera</i> subsp. <i>sylvestris</i>	Wild Vine	Occasional
<i>Vitis vinifera</i> subsp. <i>vinifera</i>	Grape	Cultivated
Zygophyllaceae	Caltrop Family	
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	Maltese Cross	Waste areas
LILIIDAE	MONOCOTYLEDONS	
Amaryllidaceae	Daffodil Family	
<i>Allium ampeloprasum</i>	Wild Leek	Occasional Cliffs. Imbros Gorge. Autumn flowering
<i>Allium callimischon</i> subsp. <i>haemostictum</i>		Akrotiri peninsula
<i>Allium circinnatum</i> subsp. <i>circinnatum</i> •		Occasional
<i>Allium neapolitanum</i>	Naples Garlic	Occasional
<i>Allium nigrum</i>	Black Garlic	Meadows
<i>Allium roseum</i>	Rosy Garlic	Occasional
<i>Allium subhirsutum</i>	Hairy Garlic	Occasional
<i>Narcissus tazetta</i>	Polyanthus Daffodil	Gious Kambos
<i>Pancratium maritimum</i>	Sea Daffodil	Sand dunes
<i>Sternbergia sicula</i>	Slender Sternbergia	Rock crevices. Autumn flowering
Araceae	Arum Family	
<i>Arisarum vulgare</i>	Friar's Cowl	Common. Damp places
<i>Arum concinnum</i>	An Arum	Common. Olive groves
<i>Arum creticum</i>	Cretan Arum	Kotsifou Gorge
<i>Arum idaeum</i> •	Cretan Mountain Arum	Omalos plateau
<i>Dracunculus vulgaris</i>	Dragon Arum	Common
<i>Zantedeschia aethiopica</i> ‡	Arum Lily	Cultivated

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Areaceae	Palm Family	
<i>Phoenix canariensis</i> ‡	Canary Palm	Cultivated
<i>Phoenix dactylifera</i> ‡	Date Palm	Cultivated
<i>Phoenix theophrasti</i>	Cretan Palm	South coast
<i>Washingtonia filifera</i> ‡	Californian Fan Palm	Cultivated
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
<i>Agave americana</i> ‡	Century Plant	Cultivated and naturalised
<i>Asparagus aphyllus</i> subsp. <i>orientalis</i>	Leafless Asparagus	Common
<i>Charybdis maritima</i>	Sea Squill	Common
<i>Muscari comosum</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Common
<i>Muscari neglectum</i>	A Grape Hyacinth	Mountain rocks. Omalos
<i>Muscari spreitzenhoferi</i> •	A Tassel Hyacinth	Frequent
<i>Ornithogalum arabicum</i> ‡		Cultivated. Hania
<i>Ornithogalum divergens</i>		Frequent
<i>Ornithogalum creticum</i> •		Occasional. Limestone crevices
<i>Ornithogalum narbonense</i>		Frequent
<i>Ruscus aculeatus</i>	Butcher's Broom	Shady areas
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
<i>Carex otrubae</i>	False Fox Sedge	Ditches and springs
<i>Cladium mariscus</i>	Great Fen Sedge	Marshes and wet places
<i>Cyperus capitatus</i>	A Galingale	Coastal sands
<i>Schoenoplectus lacustris</i>	Common Club-rush	Agia Lake
Dioscoreaceae	Yam Family	
<i>Tamus communis</i>	Black Bryony	Shady places
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus	Frequent
<i>Iris unguicularis</i> subsp. <i>cretensis</i> •	Cretan Iris	Locally common
<i>Iris albicans</i> ‡		Cultivated
<i>Iris germanica</i> ‡	German Iris	Cultivated
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow Flag	Agia Lake
<i>Iris tuberosa</i>	Widow Iris	Gious Kambos and Omalos
<i>Moraea monophylla</i>	One-leaved Barbary Nut	Akrotiri peninsula
<i>Moraea sisyrinchium</i>	Barbary Nut	Common
Juncaceae	Rush Family	
<i>Juncus acutus</i>	Sharp Rush	Maritime sands
<i>Juncus articulatus</i>	Jointed Rush	Wet places
<i>Juncus bufonius</i>	Toad rush	Wet places
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft Rush	Wet places
<i>Juncus heldreichianus</i>		Coastal marshes. Maritime sands
Liliaceae	Lily Family	
<i>Fritillaria messanensis</i>	A Fritillary	Gious Kambos
<i>Gagea bohemica</i>		Mountains. North of Omalos
<i>Gagea graeca</i>	Greek Lloydia	Common
<i>Gagea peduncularis</i>	A Yellow Star of Bethlehem	Omalos plateau
<i>Tulipa bakeri</i> •	Baker's Tulip	Omalos plateau
<i>Tulipa cretica</i> •	Cretan Tulip	Cliffs. Plakias
<i>Tulipa doerfleri</i> •	Doerfler's Tulip	Gious Kambos

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<i>Tulipa saxatilis</i>	Rock Tulip	Gious Kambos
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
<i>Anacamptis boryi</i>	Bory's Orchid	Spili hill
<i>Anacamptis collina</i>	Fan-lipped Orchid	Locally common
<i>Anacamptis fragrans</i>	Fragrant Bug Orchid	Spili hill
<i>Anacamptis laxiflora</i>	Jersey Orchid	Damp meadows
<i>Anacamptis papilionacea</i> var. <i>heroica</i>	Pink Butterfly Orchid	Occasional
<i>Anacamptis papilionacea</i> var. <i>alibertis</i> •	Pink Butterfly Orchid	Occasional
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid	Locally common
<i>Himantoglossum robertianum</i>	Giant Orchid	Locally common
<i>Neotinea lactea</i>	Milky Orchid	Spili hill
<i>Neotinea maculata</i>	Dense-flowered Orchid	Gious Kambos
<i>Neotinea tridentata</i>	Toothed Orchid	Spili hill
<i>Ophrys ariadnae</i>	Ariadne's Ophrys	Frequent
<i>Ophrys bombyliflora</i>	Bumblebee Ophrys	Spili hill and Armeni
<i>Ophrys candica</i>	White Ophrys	Plakias headland
<i>Ophrys creberrima</i>	Creberrima Ophrys	Spili hill
<i>Ophrys cretensis</i>	Cretan Early Spider Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys cretica</i>	Common Cretan Ophrys	Occasional
<i>Ophrys cretica</i> •	Creticola Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys doerfleri</i> •	Doerfler's Ophrys	Plakias
<i>Ophrys episcopalis</i>	Bishop's Ophrys	Frequent
<i>Ophrys heldreichii</i>	Heldreich's Ophrys	Common
<i>Ophrys herae</i>	Hera's Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys iricolor</i>	Rainbow Ophrys	Spili hill
<i>Ophrys leochroma</i>	Lion Mane Ophrys	Locally frequent
<i>Ophrys omegaifera</i>	Omega Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys phryganae</i>	Phrygana Ophrys	Frequent
<i>Ophrys sicula</i>	Small Yellow Ophrys	Common
<i>Ophrys sitiaca</i>	Sitia Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys spruneri</i>	Spruner's Ophrys	Local
<i>Ophrys villosa</i>	Hairy Ophrys	Frequent
<i>Orchis anthropophora</i>	Man Orchid	Spili hill and Armeni
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Naked Man Orchid	Common
<i>Orchis pauciflora</i>	Sparse-flowered Orchid	Locally common
<i>Orchis quadripunctata</i>	Four-spotted Orchid	Common
<i>Orchis sitiaca</i> •	Sitia Orchid	Spili hill
<i>Serapias bergonii</i>	Bergon's Serapias	Common
<i>Serapias cordigera</i> subsp. <i>cretica</i> •	Cretan Heart-flowered Serapias	Agia Triada
<i>Serapias lingua</i>	Tongue Orchid	Common
<i>Serapias orientalis</i> subsp. <i>orientalis</i>	Eastern Serapias	Local
<i>Serapias parviflora</i>	Small-flowered Serapias	Occasional
Poaceae	Grass Family	
<i>Aegiops biuncialis</i>		Frequent
<i>Arundo donax</i> †	Giant Reed	Naturalised and common
<i>Ammophila arenaria</i>	Marram	Sand dunes
<i>Andropogon distachyos</i>		Rocky places. Roadsides
<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	Sweet Vernal Grass	Damp places. Fields
<i>Avena barbata</i>	Slender Oat	Disturbed ground
<i>Brachypodium retusum</i>	Mediterranean False-brome	Widespread

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<i>Briza maxima</i>	Large Quaking-grass	Disturbed ground
<i>Briza minor</i>	Lesser Quaking-grass	Moist ground
<i>Catapodium marinum</i>	Sea Fern-grass	Maritime
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	Fern-grass	Bare stony ground
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Bermuda Grass	Disturbed ground
<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i>	Rough Dog's-tail	Rocky places. Fields
<i>Digitaria sanguinalis</i>	Hairy Finger-grass	Roadsides
<i>Hordeum leporinum</i>	Wall Barley	Roadsides. Waste places
<i>Hyparrhenia hirta</i>		Widespread
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>	Hare's-tail Grass	Common
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	Perennial Rye-grass	Widespread
<i>Lolium temulentum</i>	Darnel	Fields and waste places
<i>Melica ciliate</i>	Hairy Melick	Imbros Gorge
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	Marshes and riverbanks
<i>Piptantherum miliaceum</i>		Olive groves. Waste areas
<i>Poa annua</i>	Annual Meadow-grass	Waste places
<i>Rostraria cristata</i>		Widespread
<i>Sesleria doerfleri</i>		Kotsifou Gorge
<i>Stipa capensis</i>	Mediterranean Needle-grass	Rocky places and fields
<i>Vulpia ciliate</i>	Bearded Fescue	Bare stony ground and fields
Posidoniaceae	Neptune Grass Family	
<i>Posidonia oceanic</i>	Neptune Grass	Marine
Smilacaceae	Smilax Family	
<i>Smilax aspera</i>	Common Smilax	Maquis and scrub
Typhaceae	Reedmace Family	
<i>Typha domingensis</i>	Southern Reedmace	Agia Lake
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Asphodel Family	
<i>Asphodeline lutea</i>	Yellow Asphodel	Common
<i>Asphodelus aestivus</i>	Common Asphodel	Common
<i>Asphodelus fistulosus</i>	Hollow-stemmed Asphodel	Ditches and roadsides
Zosteraceae	Eelgrass Family	
<i>Zostera marina</i>	Eelgrass	Marine

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

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			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>						1		
2	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>							2	
3	Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>					1			
4	Chukar	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>						10		
5	Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>						2		
6	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>					3	6		
7	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>					1			
8	Pygmy Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax pygmeus</i>					1			
9	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>					1			
10	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>		1			1	3		
11	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>			1		2	3		

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12	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	2						1		
13	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>					1		1		
14	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>							1		
15	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>							2		
16	Bearded Vulture (Lammergeier)	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>		1							
17	Eurasian Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>	8	12	12	10	4		3		
18	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>			1						
19	Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>				1					
20	Booted Eagle	<i>Aquila pennata</i>			4						
21	Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciata</i>		4				2			
22	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>						1	2		
23	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>						2	2		
24	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
25	Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>			1						
26	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
27	Little Crane	<i>Porzana parva</i>						1	4		
28	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	6					6	6		
29	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>						20	30		
30	Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>			✓						
31	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>							1		
32	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	1	1				1	2	10	
33	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	1	1					2		
34	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>							6		
35	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>							1		
36	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Rock Dove / Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		✓							
39	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
40	European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>		1							
41	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>				900		✓	✓	✓	
42	Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>				900					
43	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>		✓	20				1		
44	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>			2	1	2				
45	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	1								
46	European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>		H		H					
47	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>						1			
48	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	2	2	2	20	1			4	
49	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>		✓		4			3	1	
50	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
51	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
52	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>		2	2			1			
53	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>				10					
54	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>							3	1	
55	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>								30	
56	Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>								1	
57	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>						1		1	
58	Black-headed Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>	1						1		
59	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>				1	H	H			
60	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		1		2			10	1	
61	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>		4		6	1		6	1	
62	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetta</i>		2					1	1	

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			8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
63	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
64	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
65	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>		1	2	2	2	1			
66	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	H	H	H	H	H	H	H		
67	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>				1					
68	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
69	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>							2		
70	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	H	H	H	H	1	2			
71	European Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>							3		
72	Winter Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				✓	✓	2			
73	Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>								1	
74	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
75	European Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>				1		2	2		
77	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>				3		1			
78	Western Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
79	Red -billed Chough	<i>Pyrhacorax pyrrhacorax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
80	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
81	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
82	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>			1	1		1			
83	Italian Sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
85	Common Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>		6	2	✓		6			
86	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis cardulis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
87	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>			2	✓	✓	7			
88	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>				1		1	3		
89	Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>		3							
90	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>						1			
91	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>		✓	✓	✓		H	1		

Mammals (D = dead)

1	Cretan White-toothed Shrew	<i>Crocidura zimmermanni</i>					✓			
2	Beech Marten	<i>Martes foina bunites</i>		D						
3	Cretan Badger	<i>Meles meles arkalus</i>			D	✓				
4	Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>	✓							
5	Cretan Wild Goat or Kri Kri	<i>Capra aegagrus creticus</i>						✓		

Reptiles

1	Balkan Terrapin	<i>Mauremys rivulata</i>					✓	✓		
2	Balkan Green Lizard	<i>Lacerta trilineata</i>	✓	✓						
3	Cretan Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis cretensis</i>		✓	✓	✓				
4	Balkan Whip Snake	<i>Hierophis gemonensis</i>					✓			
5	Spur-thighed Tortoise	<i>Testudo graeca</i>			D					

Amphibians

1	Cretan Water Frog	<i>Pelophylax cretensis</i>		3				✓		
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Butterflies

1	Eastern Festoon	<i>Zerynthia cerisyi</i>					✓			
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2	Cretan Festoon	<i>Zerynthia cretica</i>		✓	✓			✓				
3	Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclides podalirus</i>								✓		
4	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>						✓				
5	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>				✓		✓				
6	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓				
7	Eastern Bath White	<i>Pontia edusa</i>					✓					
8	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>		✓	✓	✓					✓	
9	Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>		✓	✓	✓						
10	Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>				✓		✓		✓		
11	Long-tailed Blue	<i>Lampides boeticus</i>				✓						
12	Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>	✓	✓				✓				
13	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>				✓	✓	✓				
14	Brown Argus	<i>Arica agrestis</i>		✓								
15	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>		✓								
16	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
17	Comma Butterfly	<i>Polygonia c-album</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
18	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>		✓			✓	✓			✓	
19	Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>		✓				✓		✓		

Moths

1	Pine Processionary Moth	<i>Thaumetopoea pityocampa</i>	✓			✓		✓				
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Dragonflies

1	Banded Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx splendens</i>	✓									
2	Lesser Emperor	<i>Anax parthenope</i>								✓		

Other Insects

1	Great Green Bush-cricket	<i>Tettigonia viridissima</i>				✓						
2	Egyptian Grasshopper	<i>Anacridium aegyptium</i>						✓				
3	Nosed Grasshopper	<i>Acrida ungarica</i>				✓						
4	Violet Carpenter Bee	<i>Xylocopa violacea</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				
5	Rhinoceros Beetle	<i>Oryctes nasicornis</i>	✓									
6	Red Palm Weevil	<i>Rhynchophorus ferrugineus</i>				✓						

Molluscs

1	Cretan Door Snail	<i>Albinaria inflata</i>					✓					
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