# Flowers of Italy's Gargano Peninsula

Naturetrek Tour Report

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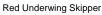




Urospermum

Monte Sant' Angelo







Moorish Gecko

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## **Summary**

Our week-long tour of the "Orchid Capital of Europe" followed the well-established pattern set in previous years, visiting many of the key botanical sites of the Gargano Peninsula, plus many more of less well-known spots discovered on earlier trips and rarely visited by other groups. We had a week of mostly fine and sunny weather with only one or two heavy downpours, but this did not stop us from visiting any of the important habitats. We started on the flat coastal area north of Bari, visiting some salt pans and a deserted beach where we had some excellent birdwatching and found a few unusual coastal plants, and then headed into the hills for the rest of our stay. Our base in the historic hill-top town of Monte Sant'Angelo enabled us to reach some superb orchid habitats, and we also had time to check out the grassy slopes behind the hotel, and explore the town itself, an important World Heritage Site. The latter part of the week was spent in the charming seaside town of Peschici in the family-run hotel located on the harbour. From here we visited some very lonely spots in the west of Gargano and explored the dramatic coastline. Our final day was spent travelling back to Bari where we had distant views of the peninsula as we travelled through the flat agricultural areas. By the end of the week we had seen about 50 species of orchids and hybrids, several of them endemic to this area, and many more beautiful Mediterranean wild flowers. Birds and butterflies did not disappoint either, and it was difficult at times to concentrate on plants when the birds intervened or stunning views attracted our attention. We also enjoyed daily picnics of local produce and some superb seafood meals.

Day 1 Monday 18th April

Weather: mostly bright and sunny; 22°C

We took the early morning BA flight from Gatwick to Bari, arriving on time. Here we met up with Luca and collected the two minibuses before setting off north on the coastal route, passing through a rich agricultural area where Olive groves stretched into the distance. After a brief stop for lunch and coffee we continued towards the coast, admiring the fields full of colourful Poppies and Crown Daisies, and the verges lined with spectacular Giant Fennel. A brief photographic stop enabled us to check out the Lesser Kestrels on the wires, before we arrived at the coastal salt pans. Plenty of water birds were seen here, including some rather pale-coloured Greater Flamingos and a few Slender-billed Gulls. We rescued a Lesser White-toothed Shrew from a stray dog which was worrying it, and looked at some of the colourful coastal plants including the curious Squirting Cucumber and delicately-scented Sea Rocket. Common Blue butterflies struggled to fly in the sea breeze here, but we did find Swallowtail butterfly as well in a more sheltered spot

After a pleasant spell here we headed for the hills, with our destination visible over 2000 ft above us. The mountain road leading to Monte Sant'Angelo gave good views of the coastal plains below us and the historic town ahead. After arrival and checking in, some of the party explored the surroundings, reporting back on their findings when we met before dinner to discuss the plans for the week.

## Day 2

# Tuesday 19th April

Weather: 24°C; a warm and sunny morning, but becoming breezy and chilly later.

Andrew and Luca purchased picnic supplies before we set off to explore the winding road leading to the Pulsano Monastery. We only had to travel a very short distance along the road before reaching our first site which was a stony, terraced hillside just outside the town. The first few orchids were visible even before we disembarked and we quickly started discovering more and more species as we spread out over the hillside. Most common were the diminutive Yellow Bee Orchids, but amongst them were several other species such as the showy Sawfly Orchid and the endemic form of the Late Spider Orchid. The most confusing ones were the numerous variations of the Early Spider Orchid, some of them turning out to be the endemic Gargano Ophrys. We did not overlook the other flora, or the lovely views of the hillsides around us.

We moved along the road to another site where we were able to follow a track up to a viewpoint, but we made very slow progress here as there was so much to see on the way. We enjoyed the first of many picnics under the shade of some Hornbeam trees, and in the background we could hear the calls of Cirl Buntings and Cuckoos. The star orchid species in this area was the small but showy Bertoloni's Bee Orchid. Some of the other species, such as Pink Butterfly Orchid and Green-winged Orchid were starting to go over, whilst the Lady Orchids here were just coming into bud. The British native Man Orchid was also found here, but this was not as showy as the Italian Man (or Naked Man) Orchid.

Our final stop of the day was the monastery at the end of the road where we explored the ancient caves and the carefully restored ruins. There were wide-ranging views from the hillside in this peaceful spot and still more plants to discover, including the very rare endemic, Pale Goldendrops, which grows only in this area. The monastery walls supported some interesting plants, including Henbane and the endemic Gargano Bellflower. We walked a short way down the track into the gorge where we found a patch of the inconspicuous Bumble-bee Orchids and a few very good specimens of the endemic Apulian Late Spider Orchid. A Moorish Gecko was sunning itself on a rock-face here, allowing the photographers to get very close views.

By now it was time to return to the hotel, and we all met up again later to discuss our findings after a very exciting day. After dinner the hotel very kindly provided a beautiful cake and bottles of Prosecco in honour of Andrew's birthday!

## Day 3

# Wednesday 20th April

Weather: a sunny day, but with strong winds all day; 14°C.

We set off in the minibuses after breakfast to explore the Bosco Quarto, an area of native woodlands on steep hillsides a few miles from Monte Sant'Angelo. We stopped beside the road in the valley floor to check out the cultivated fields for Wild Tulips, but sadly there was no sign of these, although we did find a few other interesting agricultural "weeds" along the margins, and in the distance we could hear a Nightingale in full song. Further along the road we pulled off and explored a flat field where it was difficult not to step on any orchids as there were so many in flower in every direction. There was a rather poor specimen of Giant Orchid with just a few flowers on it, and many spikes of Lizard Orchid not quite open, but the main attraction was the large number of Naked Man Orchids and Pink Butterfly Orchids. Further searching revealed some good specimens of Burnt Orchid and still more variations on the Bee Orchid theme. Also of interest were the British rarities

flowering well here, including Ground Pine and White Rock-rose. On the other side of the road in a little copse we found the endemic pansy with its variable-coloured flowers and the fragrant, but very spiny, dwarf spurge, typical of Mediterranean hillsides. Another brief stop by a little quarry enabled us to find a few Peony flowers, and the interesting Black Vetch with its two-tone flowers.

We continued deep into the forest along winding single-track roads until we eventually reached an isolated picnic-spot in a leafy clearing. The flora changed here to plants more tolerant of damp soils and light shade, and the air was filled with bird song and the sounds of distant cow bells. After our picnic we wandered through the forest, finding some Roman Orchids on a steep bank, Bird's-nest Orchids in the leaf litter, and a single spike of Sword-leaved Helleborine. We eventually reached a sunny clearing where there were some spikes of *Iris lutescens* showing, although most plants were still in bud. Another orchid species was added to the list here, as we found some very fine specimens of the Spectacled Ophrys on stony slopes at the edge of the clearing. One of the most common plants here, but easily overlooked, was Round-leaved Birthwort, with its curious flowers hidden between the leaves. We returned along the same route through the woods to the minibuses and then drove slowly out of the forest with one or two more stops to look for Narcissi and Irises, before reaching the main road back to Monte Sant'Angelo.

# Day 4

## **Thursday 21st April**

Weather: a pleasant sunny day, but misty later; 20°C.

We set off after breakfast, calling in at the little supermarket to collect picnic supplies, before taking the mountain road towards Mattinata. There were views of the sea from here and all the hillsides seemed to be terraced and covered with ancient olive trees. In the flat coastal zone there were more olive trees but these were in straight rows and all of the same size. We stopped to explore one of the olive terraces and admire the views, and were interested to see the "man cave" set into the hillside, presumably used by the owner of the olive trees. There were interesting plants to see on every side, and we found some very photogenic specimens of the Ploughshare Tongue Orchid close to the road. The curious "False-tooth Plant" (*Tordylium apulum*) was abundant here. After this brief stop we continued down the hair-pin bends to Mattinata where the road passed some of the largest olive trees we had seen so far.

Our destination was Monte Sacro, a famous botanical site and very well known by orchid enthusiasts. We managed to park on the narrow road and set off to explore the limestone hillside, but made very slow progress because there was so much to see. New orchids included the tiny Four-spotted Orchid and, higher up the slopes, a large patch of Sparse-flowered Orchids. Tongue Orchids in various colour forms were found in the crevices in the limestone and there were plenty more of the Ophrys species to keep us occupied. After a busy morning exploring the hillside we had our picnic in the meadow beside the road, and then headed back towards Mattinata, pausing at one good spot on the road where we found more Bertoloni's Bee Orchids and the endemic *Ophrys promontorii*.

We climbed out of Mattinata and then stopped at the track leading to the archaeological site at Monte Saraceno where hundreds of burial chambers had been carved out of the limestone. At the start of the track was a small patch of Bug Orchids which proved to be very photogenic. Luca climbed down into one of the burial chambers to collect some Fairy Shrimps which were living in a pool at the bottom. In another chamber there was a fine colony of Maidenhair Fern and on the grassy slopes we found several species of Broomrapes. There were

spectacular views all around from the town of Mattinata on the flat floor of the valley to the twin peaks of Monte Sacro beyond. It seemed a shame to leave this very scenic spot; however, after another very busy day we returned to our hotel and met again before dinner to discuss our findings.

Day 5 Friday 22nd April

Weather: pleasant sunny weather all day; 20°C.

We spent a while exploring the town after breakfast, visiting some of the ancient churches and steep winding streets before the main throng of tourists arrived. After a coffee break we set off on foot to explore the Pilgrim's Path, the ancient route which follows the hillside down to the valley floor. This gave us wonderful views of the countryside and the chance to look at flowers at eye-level on the steep slopes above us. New plants for the list here included Spring Rock-cress (*Arabis verna*) and Broad-leaved Sermountain, and there were a few Lady Orchids in very scenic spots giving the photographers plenty of scope for good shots. This also proved to be a good area for butterflies with species such as Scarce Swallowtail, Green Hairstreak and Brown Argus giving us good views.

After some juggling around with the minibuses we drove towards Monte Calvo, the highest peak in Gargano, which is surrounded by forests of Turkey Oak and Beech and some small patches of farmland. We had a picnic in a woodland clearing and explored the surrounding area where after some searching we found a few specimens of Elder-flowered Orchid and many more Ophrys species. Driving further into the forest we eventually arrived at a house with some barking dogs and a few other boarded-up houses, presumably weekend retreats. A copse of Wild Service trees was an unusual sight, but this area was the best we had come across for Roman Orchids, with hundreds flowering in the neglected gardens and under the trees, and what we at first thought were Common Spotted Orchids, but were more likely to be *Dactylorhiza saccifera*.

Our final stop of the day was on another steep and winding road near the village of Ruggiano where there were two magnificent Lizard Orchids in full bloom and in a good position for photography.

Day 6 Saturday 23rd April

Weather: sunny at first but torrential rain later, followed by a sunny evening; 18°C.

We left Monte Sant'Angelo this morning to transfer to our second hotel. Our route took us through the Foresta Umbra, and we made several stops on the way. Our first roadside stop was on a grassy track where many of the now familiar orchid species were found, but we did find some spikes of Violet Limodore almost open, and a patch of *Anacamptis morio picta*, a new species for the week. Further on in the forest we stopped for our picnic and managed a walk to the Laghetto before the heavens opened. The forest was filled with bird song, although botanically it proved to be less interesting than some of our other sites. A Terrapin in the small lake proved to be a good photographic subject as it climbed out to bask on a low branch. The road down to the coast wound its way through extensive beech woods, and at one roadside stop we found large patches of Spring Cyclamens, although by this stage everyone was rather wet and some preferred to view the plants from the minibus!

We paused briefly at another site and Andrew and Luca dashed out in the rain to check for orchids, finding a few good specimens, including some new ones for our list. It seemed more sensible to head for the hotel and dry out

at this stage so we left the orchids and drove to Peschici where we unloaded and checked in. The rain was easing off at this stage so we agreed to make a dash back to the orchid site before dinner for those who wanted to check them out. We enjoyed a splendid seafood supper in the hotel where an open fire and the smell of wood smoke were very welcome after the rainy interlude.

Day 7 Sunday 24th April

Weather: a sunny morning but a thunder storm later in the day; 19°C.

For our final full day we headed west from Peschici to explore the coast road and a few rarely-visited sites where we could add several new plants to our list. We stopped to look at the Trabucco, a type of fish trap unique to this area, and found some interesting specimens here, including Sicilian Snapdragon (*Antirrhinum siculum*) and *Campanula garganica* growing on the walls of the mediaeval tower. Further west we stopped on a little track where Purple Mullein grew amongst the dense, spiny shrubs. A few Pyramidal Orchids were in flower here and a single Dark Ophrys was found near the road. Dragonflies were found investigating the puddles in the track and several birds could be heard calling from the scrub, including Sardinian, Subalpine and Cetti's Warblers. At an abandoned quarry we found the very rare Small-patterned Ophrys and some Provence Orchids, although these were not at their best.

We then tackled the steep stony road on to the Bosco di Spina Pulci – a splendid area of limestone pavement and natural woodland. The star attraction here was the Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid, but several more species were spotted in the limestone pavement, whilst in the woods there were more Provence Orchids and plenty of Cyclamens in full flower. A Nine-spotted Moth posed well for photographs and other plants, such as the dark-petalled form of Small-flowered Catchfly were soon found. We had our picnic here, but did not linger because of the threatening thunderstorm and managed to get back to the minibuses in time to start the return drive before the heavens opened again.

On the way back to Peschici we made one more stop to look at the magnificent Lady Orchids growing in an olive grove which made a fitting end to a week of botanical explorations in Gargano. We returned to Peschici in time for some more explorations of the beach and the town before our final dinner of the week which was another superb offering of the local seafood.

Day 8 Monday 25th April

Weather: windy at wet at times, grey skies; 18°C.

We had to make an early start today to get to Bari Airport in time for the flight back to London. After a 7.00am breakfast we loaded up, had one last look at the rather stormy Adriatic Sea, took the mountain road out of the town and returned along the autostrada, getting some good views of the distant Gargano hills as we headed south to Bari. There was time for a brief stop at a service station and we added one more bird to the checklist in the form of Monk Parakeet – a non-native species now established in the area. We arrived at Bari airport in plenty of time for the check-in and we said our farewells in the airport after a very rewarding week in this most attractive region of Italy.

## **Species Lists**

Plants (\* = indicates that a species is endemic)

Scientific name Common name Location **PTERIDOPHYTES FERNS & ALLIES** Selaginellaceae **Lesser Clubmoss Family** Selaginella denticulata Mediterranean Clubmoss On rocks, Monte Sacro, Bosco di Spina Pulci Adiantaceae Maidenhair Fern Family Adiantum capillus-veneris Maidenhair Fern In tombs, Monte Saraceno Aspleniaceae Spleenwort family Asplenium adiantum-nigrum Black Spleenwort On rocks and walls, shady sites, widespread. Asplenium ceterach Rustyback On sunny rocks and walls, frequent. Asplenium trichomanes Maidenhair Spleenwort On rocks and walls, shady sites, common. Phyllitis scolopendrium Hart's-tongue Fern Shaded sites, woodlands. **Bladder-fern Family** Cystopterdiaceae Brittle Bladder-fern Cystopteris fragilis Foresta Umbra, on roadside rocks Dennstaeditiaceae **Bracken Family** Pteridium aquilinum Bracken Roadsides near Monte Sacro **Buckler-fern Family** Dryopteridaceae Dryopteris dilatata Broad Buckler-fern Foresta Umbra Polystichum setiferum Soft Shield-fern Cyclamen site, in deep gulley near road PINOPSIDA (GYMNOSPERMS) **CONIFERS** Cupressaceae **Juniper Family** Italian Cypress Cupressus sempervirens Widespread, gardens, roadsides. Juniperus oxycedrus **Prickly Juniper** Open, stony hillsides, common. Juniperus phoenicea Phoenicean Juniper Peschici, on roadsides Pinaceae **Pine Family** Pinus halepensis Aleppo Pine Monte Saraceno Pinus pinaster Maritime Pine Widespread Pinus pinea Stone or Umbrella Pine Planted along roadsides, lowland areas. Taxaceae Yew Family Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra, some very Taxus baccata Yew old **MAGNOLIOPSIDA** FLOWERING PLANTS (ANGIOSPERMS)

## Magnoliidae (Dicotyledons)

 Acanthaceae
 Bear's-breech Family

 Acanthus mollis
 Bear's-breech
 Leaves only, Monte Saraceno area

 Aizoaceae
 Dew-plant Family

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Carpobrotus acinaciiformis Sally-my-handsome Peschici, on walls, abundant

Carduus chrysacanthus

Centaurea diomedea

Cirsium eriophorum

Crupina crupinastrum

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Centaurea jacea

Dittrichia viscosa

Crepis rubra

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#### Scientific name Common name Location **Sumach Family** Anacardiaceae Smoke Tree nr Peschici Cotinus coggygria Pistacia lentiscus Mastic Tree Widespread in open, stony sites, hillsides Pistacia terebinthus **Turpentine Tree** Pulsano Gorge, Bosco di Spina Pulci **Apiaceae Carrot Family** Conium maculatum Hemlock Roadsides, lay-bys. Wild Carrot Daucus carota Roadsides, lay-bys. Field Eryngo Eryngium campestre Leaves only, open ground, stony hillsides Widespread along roadsides, mostly coastal Ferrula communis Giant Fennel Broad-leaved Sermountain Laserpitium latifolium Leaves only, Pilgrim's Path Orlaya grandiflora Orlaya Widespread in open, stony areas Monte Saraceno Petroselinum crispum Parsley Sanicle Foresta Umbra Sanicula europaea Shepherd's Needles Scandix pecten-veneris Widespread, field margins, stony areas. Seseli montanum A Seseli Pulsano Monastery Smyrnium perfoliatum Perfoliate Alexanders Monte Sacro, Pulsano, nr Pechici Smyrnium rotundifolium Round-leaved Alexanders Bosco di Spina Pulci Thapsia Leaves only, open stony areas Thapsia garganica Tordylium Olive grove nr Mattinata (False-tooth plant!) Tordylium apulum Torilis arvensis Spreading Hedge Parsley Roadsides, lay-bys. **Periwinkle Family** Apocynaceae Pulsano Monastery, planted, buds only Nerium oleander Oleander Vinca major Periwinkle below Monte Calvo Aquifoliaceae **Holly Family** llex aquifolium Holly Common in woodlands Aralaceae **Ivy Family** Hedera helix lvy Widespread, mainly woodlands Aristolochiaceae **Birthwort Family** A Birthwort Bosca da Spina Pulci, Bosco Quarto Aristolochia rotunda **Below Monte Calvo** Aristolochia pallida A Birthwort Asclepiadaceae Milkweed Family Vincetoxicum hirundinaria Swallow-wort One plant flowering well on roadside Asteraceae **Daisy Family** Achillea millefolium Yarrow Leaves only Andryala Andryala integrifolia Leaves and tight buds only, widespread Artemisia absinthium Wormwood Roadside stop Bellis perennis Daisy Widespread in grassy areas and fields Bellis sylvestris Southern Daisy Widespread in woodlands and hillsides Calendula arvensis Field Marigold Abundant on Roadsides, field margins

Leaves only

Leaves only

Monte Saraceno

Monte Saraceno

Leaves and buds only

Widespread in sunny sites, Roadsides

coastal roadside stops, non-flowering

Apennine Thistle

Brown Knapweed

Pink Hawksbeard

Woolly Thistle

Crupina

Stink Aster

A fine-leaved Knapweed

Myosotis ramosissima

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Doronicum columnae	Heart-leaved Leopard's-bane	Woodlands and shady banks
Evax pygmaea	Evax	Common on open stony sites
Galactites tomentosa	Galactites	A few in flower, mostly in bud
Glebionis (Chrysanthemum) coronarium	Crown Daisy	Abundant on roadsides, field margins, coastal
Glebionis (Chrysanthemum) segetum	Corn Marigold	Local in some cultivated fields
Helichrysum stoechas	Curry Plant	Pulsano Gorge
Hyoseris radiata	a 'dandelion'	Widespread in grassy areas and fields
Inula verbascifolia*	a 'Ploughman's Spikenard' type	Monte Saraceno (in leaf)
Jurinea mollis	a 'soft' Thistle	Leaves and buds only, Monte Saraceno
Matricaria recutita	Scented Mayweed	Mullein stop area
Pallenis spinosa	Pallenis	Mullein stop, buds just opening
Phagnalon rupestre	Phagnalon	Pulsano Gorge
Ptilostemon gnaphaloides	a Ptilostemon	Pulsano Gorge
Reichardia tingitana	-	Roadside stop
Rhagadolius stellatus	Star Hawkbit	Pulsano Gorge
Scorzonera laciniata	Cut-leaved Viper's-grass	Mullein stop
Scorzonera villosa	Hairy Viper's-grass	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Senecio gallicus	-	Monte Sacro area
Senecio vulgaris	Groundsel	Tulip fields
Silybum marianum	Milk Thistle	Widespread, Roadsides, Pulsano Monastery
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle	Tulip fields
Taraxacum agg.	a Dandelion	Roadsides and labys
Tragopogon crocifolius	-	?
Tragopogon porrifolius	Salsify	Mullein stop and other roadsides
Tragopogon sinuatus	-	Leaves and buds only
Tripleurospermum inodoratum	Scentless Mayweed	Roadsides and lay-bys
Tussilago farfara	Colt's-foot	Leaves only near Quarry stop
Urospermum dalechampii	Urospermum	Pulsano area, olive grove stop
Urospermum picroides	-	Orchid stop near Bosco Quarto
Grospermam pierolaes		Offilia stop flear bosco Quarto
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
Betula pendula	Silver Birch	Monte Sant'Angelo - Pilgrim's Path
Corylus avellana	Hazel	Forest Umbra
Carpinus orientalis	Eastern Hornbeam	Monte Calvo, Pulsano road
Ostrya carpinifolia	Hop Hornbeam	Bosco Quarto, Monte Sacro
Boraginaceae	Forget-me-not Family	
Alkanna tinctoria (lehmanii)	Dyer's Alkanet	Abundant on slopes below Monte Sant'Angelo
Anchusa caerulea	_	Pulsano area
Anchusa cretica	_	Bosco di Spina Pulci, Bosco Quarto
Anchusa azurea (italica)	Large Blue Alkanet	nr Fly-tip stop
Borago officinalis	Borage	Pulsano area
Buglossoides (Lithospermum)	-	i disalio alea
arvense	Corn Gromwell	Tulip fields
Buglossoides (L.) purpurocaerulea	Purple Gromwell	Pulsano area
Cerinthe major	Honeywort	Olive groves nr Peschici, Mullein stop
Cynoglossum creticum	Cretan Hound's-tongue	Orchid stop nr Bosco Quarto
Echium italicum	Pale Bugloss	Roadside stop
Echium plantagineum	Purple Viper's Bugloss	Widespread on coastal sandy areas
Myosotis arvensis	Field Forget-me-not	Tulip fields and other grassy areas
Myosotis discolor	Changing Forget-me-not	Pulsano area
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Pilgrim's Path

Early Forget-me-not

Viburnum tinus

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Peschici

Laurustinus

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Caryophyllaceae

Arenaria serpyllifolia Cerastium fontanum Cerastium glomeratum Herniaria (cinerea) Minuartia serpyllifolia Silene colorata Silene conoidea

Silene conica Silene gallica Silene italica

Silene latifolia Silene vulgaris Spergularia rubra Stellaria media

Stellaria nemorum

Celastraceae

Euonymus europaeus

Chenopodiaceae

Chenopodium album Salicornia sp Sueda (vera)

Cistaceae

Cistus creticus Cistus monspeliensis Cistus salvifolius

Helianthemum apenninum Helianthemum oelandicum subsp.incanum

Helianthemum nummularium

Helianthemum salicifolium

Tuberaria guttata

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia sepium Convolvulus althaeoides Convolvulus althaeoides subsp.tenuissimus

Cornaceae

Cornus sanguinea

Crassulaceae

Sedum acre Sedum rubens Sedum sediforme Sedum stellatum Umbilicus rupestris

Cucurbitaceae Ecballium elaterium

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**Pink Family** 

Thyme-leaved Sandwort Tulip fields Common Mouse-ear Quarry stop Sticky Mouse-ear Monte Saraceno Monte Sacro area Rupturewort A Sandwort Monte Saraceno

a catchfly Widespread - open sunny areas

Monte Saraceno

Sand Catchfly coastal sands nr Zapponeta

Small-flowered Catchfly Tulip fields Italian Catchfly Monte Saraceno White Campion Roadside stop **Bladder Campion** Peschici

Sand Spurrey Coastal sands nr Zapponeta

Common Chickweed Bosco Quarto Wood Stitchwort Bosco Quarto

**Spindle Family** 

Spindle Pulsano Gorge

**Goosefoot Family** 

Fat Hen Pulsano monastery Glasswort Salt pans on coast Shrubby Seablite Salt pans on coast

**Rock-rose Family** 

Pink Cistus Roadsides, nr Mattinata and Peschici

Narrow-leaved Cistus Monte Saraceno

Sage-leaved Cistus Monte Saraceno, Peschici

White Rockrose Monte Sacro

Pulsano area, Monte Sacro Hoary Rockrose

Rockrose Widespread Willow-leaved Rockrose Monte Sant'Angelo Spotted Rockrose Bosco da Spina Pulci

**Bindweed Family** 

Hedge Bindweed nr Tulip fields

Mallow-leaved Bindweed Roadsides and open, sunny areas

a Mallow-leaved Bindweed Roadside nr Mattinata

**Dogwood Family** 

Dogwood nr Peschici, Lady Orchid site

**Stonecrop Family** 

Biting Stonecrop Pulsano Gorge, buds only

Reddish Stonecrop nr Monte Sacro Pulsano Monastery Starry Stonecrop nr Monte Sacro

Wall Pennywort Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto, Pulsano

**Cucumber family** 

**Squirting Cucumber** nr Zapponeta, coastal sands

Lathyrus cicera

Lathyrus clymenum

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Bryonia dioica	White Bryony	Pulsano
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Dipsacaceae	Teasel Family Wild Teasel	Logyan anly
Dipsacus fullonum Lomelosia crenata subsp		Leaves only
dalleportae*	An endemic Scabious	Pulsano Gorge
Scabiosa ochroleuca	Yellow Scabious	Pulsano Gorge
Scabiosa sp.	A Scabious	Roadside nr Monte Sacro
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
Erica arborea	Tree Heather	Approach to Foresta Umbra, on roadside rocks
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
Euphorbia amygdaloides	Wood Spurge	Foresta Umbra, Bosco Quarto
Euphorbia biumbellata	Whorled Spurge	Monte Sacro
Euphorbia characias subsp.characias	Mediterranean Spurge	Open, stony areas
Euphorbia helioscopia	Sun Spurge	Widespread in open, sunny areas
Euphorbia myrsinites	Broad-leaved Glaucous Spurge	Monte Sacro
Euphorbia nicaeensis	-	?
Euphorbia peplus	Petty Spurge	Roadsides and sands near coast
Euphorbia segetalis	-	nr Monte Sacro
Euphorbia spinosa	a 'hedgehog' plant (Spiny Spurge)	Widespread in open, sunny areas
Mercurialis annua	Annual Mercury	Pulsano Gorge
Mercurialis perennis	Dog's Mercury	Foresta Umbra
Fabaceae	Pea Family	
Anagyris foetida	Bean Trefoil	Mullein stop, with large pods and smelly leaves
Anthyllis barba-jovis	Jupiter's Beard	Cliffs at Peschici
Anthyllis tetraphylla	Bladder Vetch	nr Fly-tip stop
Anthyllis vulneraria agg	Kidney Vetch	Scattered in open sunny areas
Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. praepropera	Mediterranean Kidney Vetch (Pink)	Widespread in open sunny areas
Astragalus echinatus	a Milk Vetch	nr Monte Sant'Angelo
Astragalus hamosus	a Milk Vetch	Monte Sacro area
Astragalus monspessulanus	False Vetch	Pulsano area
Bituminaria (Psoralea) bituminosa	Pitch Trefoil	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Calycotome infesta	Spiny Broom	Scattered sites
Ceratonia siliqua	Carob	Monte Saraceno
Cercis siliquastrum	Judas Tree	Pulsano monastery
Coronilla scorpioides	Annual Scorpion Vetch	Scattered sites, roadsides
Cytisus decumbens	Prostrate Broom	Widespread round Monte Sant'Angelo
Cytisus spinescens Dorycnium hirsutum	a Hairy Broom	Pulsano Gorge Monte Sacro area
Hedysarum coronarium	Dorycnium	Roadside stop
Hippocrepis comosa	Horseshoe Vetch	Peschici - cliff-top site
Hippocrepis comosa Hippocrepis emerus subsp.		·
emeroides	False Senna	Cyclamen stop - on steep bank
Hippocrepis glauca	a Horseshoe Vetch	open sunny areas - scattered
Hippocrepis unisiliquosa	-	Monte Saraceno
Lathyrus aphaca	Yellow Vetchling	Widespread in open sunny areas
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Common in open, grassy areas

Roadsides near Peony stop

a red Vetchling

Castanea sativa

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Lathyrus hybridus	Hairy Yellow Vetch	Monte Sant'Angelo nr hotel
Lathyrus ochrus	-	Fly-tip stop, Mullein stop
Lathyrus setifolius	Red Grass Vetchling	roadside stop nr Peschici
Lathyrus vernus	Spring Pea	nr Monte Calvo
Lathyrus venetus		Roadsides
Lotus corniculatus	Bird's-foot Trefoil	Roadsides, open areas
Lotus creticus	Southern Bird's-foot Trefoil	coastal roadside stop
Lotus cytisodes	a Trefoil	Monte Sacro roadside
Lotus edulis	Edible Lotus	Coastal roadside stop
Lotus halophilus	Sea Bird's-foot Trefoil	Rocks at Peschici
Lotus tetragonolobus (T. purpureus)	Winged/Asparagus Pea	Common in open, grassy areas
Lupinus micranthus	Hairy Lupin	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Medicago arabica	Spotted Medick	Roadsides, field margins
Medicago littoralis	Sea Medick	coastal sands nr Zapponeta
Medicago orbicularis	Large Disk Medick	nr Monte Saraceno
Medicago polymorpha	Toothed Medick	nr Mullein stop
Medicago rigidula	-	Pilgrim's Path
Melilotus indicus	Small Mellilot	Roadsides and lay-bys
Onobrychis alba	a Sainfoin	Near Monte Sant'Angelo
Onobrychis aquidentata	a Sainfoin	Iris slopes
Onobrychis caput-galli	Cock's-comb Sainfoin	nr Mullein stop
Onobrychis crista-galli	-	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Pisum sativum	a Pea	nr Peony stop
Robinia pseudacacia	False Acacia	Roadsides, town gardens
Scorpiurus muricatus	Scorpiurus	Stony track nr Pulsano monastery
Securigera (Coronilla) varia	Crown Vetch	Pulsano Gorge
Spartium junceum	Spanish Broom	Hillsides near coast at Peschici
Trifolium angustifolium	Narrow-leaved Clover	Roadsides
Trifolium campestre	Hop Trefoil	Common in stony areas
Trifolium dubium	Lesser Trefoil	Grassy areas
Trifolium incarnatum	Crimson Clover	Roadsides near coast
Trifolium medium	Zigzag Clover	Monte Sant'Angelo nr hotel
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover	Field margins
Trifolium repens	White Clover	Field margins
Trifolium resupinatum	Reversed Clover	roadside nr Bosco Quarto
Trifolium stellatum	Star Clover	Widespread in open sunny areas
Trifolium subterraneum	Burrowing Clover	Iris slopes
Trifolium tomentosum	Woolly Trefoil	Monte Sant'Angelo nr hotel
Vicia barbazitae	a small vetch	Bosco Quarto
Vicia benghalensis	Benghal Vetch	Roadside stop
Vicia bithynica	Bithynian Vetch	Pilgrim's Path
Vicia cracca	Tufted Vetch	Grassy areas, nr Peschici
Vicia hirsuta	Hairy Tare	Field margins
Vicia lutea	Yellow Vetch	Grassy roadside areas and lay-bys
Vicia melanops	Black Vetch	Pilgrim's Path and other tracks and banks
Vicia narbonensis	-	Field margins and Pilgrim's Path
Vicia peregrina	Wandering Vetch (two-tone flowers)	Viola stop nr Bosco Quarto
Vicia sativa agg	Common Vetch	Roadsides, field margins
Vicia villosa	Fodder Vetch	Fly-tip stop
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
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Foresta Umbra

Sweet Chestnut

#### Scientific name Common name Location Foresta Umbra Fagus sylvatica Beech Turkey Oak Widespread Quercus cerris Quercus coccifera Spanish Oak Monte Sacro Quercus ilex Holm Oak Widespread Quercus pubescens Bosco di Spina Pulci Downy Oak **Fumitory Family Fumariaceae** Corydalis solida Bird-in-a-bush Bosco Quarto Roadside stops Fumaria capreolata Tall Ramping Fumitory Widespread Fumaria muralis Common Ramping Fumitory Fumaria officinalis Common Fumitory Widespread Gentianaceae **Gentian Family** Blackstonia perfoliata Yellow-wort Olive groves nr Peschici Geraniaceae Crane's-bill Family Erodium ciconium a Stork's-bill Field margins, stony slopes Erodium cicutarium Common Stork's-bill Tracks and paths, Widespread Erodium malacoides Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill nr Mullein stop Geranium columbinum Long-stalked Crane's-bill Mullein stop Geranium dissectum Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Monte Sant'Angelo Geranium lucidum Shining Crane's-bill Monte Sant'Angelo Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Widespread, Roadsides and tracks Geranium molle Geranium purpureum Little Robin Monte Sacro Geranium robertianum Herb Robert Widespread Geranium rotundifolium Round-leaved Stork's-bill Widespread Geranium sanguineum Bloody Crane's-bill Quarry stop St. John's-wort Family Hypericaceae Hypericum perforatum Perforate St. John's-wort Mullein stop Lamiaceae **Dead-nettle Family** Acinos alpinus Alpine Basil Thyme Pilgrim's Path Pulsano Monastery, orchid site nr Bosco Ajuga chamaepitys **Ground Pine** Quarto Ajuga genevensis Blue Bugle Foresta Umbra Clinopodium acinos **Basil Thyme** Various orchid sites Lamium bifidum Bifid Dead-nettle Pilgrim's Path Lamium garganicum Large Red Dead-nettle Monte Sant'Angelo

Lamium maculatum Spotted Dead-nettle Pilgrim's Path Marrubium vulgare White Horehound Monte Saraceno Marrubium alysson a pink Horehound Monte Saraceno Origanum vulgare Oregano Sunny hillsides and stony slopes Prasium majus Prasium Monte Saraceno Prunella vulgaris Selfheal Cyclamen stop Common on open hillsides, Roadsides, Rosmarinus officinalis Rosemary rocks Salvia argentea Silver Sage Leaves only Salvia fruticosa Three-leaved Sage Monte Sarceno Salvia pratensis Meadow Clary Widespread Salvia verbenaca Wild Clary Widespread nr Mattinata Satureja hortensis Summer Savory Sideritis romana Common Sideritis Pulsano Monastery Syrian Sideritis Sideritis syriaca Sunny open areas (in bud)

Cymbalaria muralis

Digitalis ferruginea

Scientific name	Common name	Location
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Stachys cretica	Mediterranean Woundwort	Monte Saraceno
Stachys officinalis	Betony	nr Bosco Quarto
Thymus capitatus	A Thyme	Sunny open areas
Linaceae	Flax Family	
Linum austriacum (narbonense)	Beautiful Flax	nr Bosco Quarto
Linum bienne	Pale Flax	Iris slopes
Linum catharticum	Fairy (Purging) Flax	Widespread
Linum perenne	Perennial Flax	Pulsano area
Linum trigynum	-	Monte Sacro
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
Lavatera arborea	Tree Mallow	nr Peschici
Lavatera cretica	Cretan Mallow	Coast nr Zapponeta
Malva cretica	-	Roadside nr Mattinata
Malva neglecta	Dwarf Mallow	Coast nr Zapponeta
Malva sylvestris	Common Mallow	Widespread along Roadsides
Moraceae	Mulberry Family	
Ficus carica	Fig	Widely naturalised and cultivated
Oleaceae	Olive Family	
Fraxinus ornus	Flowering Ash	Widespread, hillsides, Bosco di Spina Pulci
Ligustrum vulgare	Privet	Pulsano Gorge
Olea europaea	Olive	Widespread and abundant
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
Bellardia trixago	Bellardia	Coastal site nr Zapponeta
Orobanche alba	Thyme Broomrape	Monte Sant' Angelo
Orobanche amethystea	Amethyst Broomrape	Pulsano gorge
Orobanche caryophyllacea	Clove-scented Broomrape	Monte Saraceno
Orobanche minor	Common Broomrape	dried flower spike only
Orobanche purpurea	Yarrow Broomrape	?
Orobanche sanguinea		Monte Saraceno
Parentucella latifolia	Southern Red Bartsia	Widespread in open, stony areas
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family	
Oxalis corniculata	Procumbent Yellow Sorrel	Pulsano Monastery
Oxalis pes-caprae	Bermuda Buttercup	nr Peschici
Paeoniaceae	Paeony Family	
Paeonia mascula	A Peony	Copses and shady sites nr Bosco Quarto
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
Chelidonium majus	Greater Celandine	Pulsano area
Papaver apulum	-	nr Mullein stop
Papaver hybridum	Rough Poppy	Roadsides and field margins
Papaver rhoeas	Common Poppy	Field margins
Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
Antirrhinum siculum	Sicilian Snapdragon	Peschici - Trabucco stop
Cumbolaria muralia	had leaved Teadfley	Walls common Monte Cont'Angele

Ivy-leaved Toadflax

Brown Foxglove

Walls, common, Monte Sant'Angelo

leaves and buds only

#### Scientific name

Misopates orontium

Plantago arenaria

Plantago coronopus

Plantago lagopus

Plantago lanceolata

Plantago maritima

Plantago seraria

### Polygalaceae

Polygala nicaeensis Polygala vulgaris

#### Polygonaceae

Rumex obtusifolius Rumex pulcher Polygonum maritimum

#### Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis (Red & Blue forms)

Cyclamen hederifolium

Cyclamen repandum

#### Ranunculaceae

Anemone apennina
Anemone hortensis
Clematis ficaria
Delphinium peregrinum
Eranthis hyemalis
Ficaria verna agg

Frantnis nyemalis
Ficaria verna agg.
Nigella damascena
Ranunculus acris
Ranunculus arvensis
Ranunculus bulbosus
Ranunculus millefoliatus
Ranunculus muricatus

Ranunculus sceleratus Ranunculus velutinus

### Resedaceae

Reseda alba Reseda lutea Reseda luteola Reseda phyteuma

#### Rhamnaceae

Palliurus spina-christi Rhamnus alaternus

### Rosaceae

Aremonia agrimonioides Crataegus monogyna Cydonia oblonga

#### Common name

Weasel Snout/Lesser
Snapdragon
Branched Plantain

Mullein stop
Quarry stop

Buck's-horn Plantain Widespread on paths, grassy areas

Location

Hare's-foot Plantain Coast nr Zapponeta

Ribwort Plantain Roadsides

Sea Plantain On cliffs, Peschici
- Monte Saraceno

## **Milkwort Family**

Nice Milkwort Iris slopes

Common Milkwort Widespread in grassy areas

## **Knotweed Family**

Broad-leaved Dock Cultivated areas
Fiddle Dock Cyclamen site
Sea Knotgrass coastal roadside stop

#### **Primrose Family**

Scarlet Pimpernel Field margins, stony areas

Ivy-leaved Sowbread Leaves only, Foresta Umbra

Spring Cyclamen Woodland sites nr Bosco di Spina Pulci

#### **Buttercup Family**

Blue Anemone Widepread in woodlands
- Open sites, Widespread
a Clematis Leaves and buds only

a Larkspur Leaves only

Winter Aconite Tulip fields - in seed.

Lesser Celandine Widespread in grassy areas

Love-in-a-mist leaves only

Meadow Buttercup Widespread in grassy areas
Corn Buttercup nr Monte Sant'Angelo
Bulbous Buttercup Field margins, nr tulip fields

Pilgrim's Path and other grassy sites

Rough-fruited Buttercup nr Tulip fields

Celery-leaved Buttercup Ditches nr Zapponeta

Grassy areas nr Bosco Quarto

### **Mignonette Family**

White Mignonette Widespread in open, stony areas

Wild Mignonette Roadsides, verges

Weld Coastal site near Zapponeta

Corn Mignonette Field margins

#### **Buckthorn Family**

Christ's Thorn Mullein stop, abundant

Mediterranean Buckthorn Pulsano Gorge, tiny greenish flowers

## **Rose Family**

Bastard Agrimony Bosco Quarto, sunny woodland clearings

Hawthorn Widespread and common

Quince Roadside stop

#### Scientific name Common name Location Filipendula vulgaris Dropwort nr Mullein stop Widespread Fragaria vesca Wild Strawberry Geum urbanum Wood Avens Bosco Quarto Malus sylvestris Crab Apple Bosco di Spina Pulci Potentilla hirta Hairy Cinquefoil Monte Sacro area Prunus dulcis Almond Widely cultivated Prunus spinosa Blackthorn Roadsides Pyracantha coccinia Firethorn Planted - Monte Sant'Angelo Almond-leaved Pear Pyrus amygdaliformis Widespread Pyrus communis Pear nr Monte Calvo Rosa sp. A Rose Pulsano gorge Rubus fruticosus agg Bramble Widespread Bramble Rubus sanctus Sanguisorba (Poterium) minor Salad Burnet Pulsano area Sorbus aucuparia Rowan or Mountain Ash Monte Calvo area Sorbus torminalis Wild Service Tree nr Monte Calvo Rubiaceae **Bedstraw Family** Asperula arvensis Blue Woodruff Tulip field and Peony stop Crosswort Cruciata laevipes Pilgrim's Path Galium aparine Cleavers Roadsides and field margins Galium mollugo Hedge Bedstraw nr hotel, Monte Sant'Angelo Galium odoratum Woodruff Foresta Umbra Galium setaceum Pulsano Monastery Not in flower Galium verum Lady's Bedstraw Rubia peregrina Wild Madder Monte Saraceno Sherardia arvensis Field Madder Widespread Valantia hispida Valantia Monte Saraceno, on rocks Valantia muralis a Valantia Widespread in dry areas, but tricky to find Rutaceae **Rue Family** Ruta chalepensis Fringed Rue Leaves only, Pulsano Gorge Santalaceae Sandalwood Family Monte Saraceno Osyris alba Osyris Sapindaceae (Aceraceae) **Maple Family** Acer campestris Field Maple Widespread, woodlands. Acer platanoides Norway Maple Monte Sant'Angelo Widespread, woodlands. Acer pseudoplatanus Sycamore Acer obtusatum Bosnian Maple Monte Sacro Acer opalus Italian Maple Monte Sant'Angelo Saxifragaceae Saxifrage Family Foresta Umbra Saxifraga bulbifera **Bulbous Saxifrage** Saxifraga granulata Meadow Saxifrage Widespread Saxifraga tridactylites Rue-leaved Saxifrage Walls and rocks, widespread Scrophulariaceae **Figwort Family**

Italian (Nettle-leaved) Figwort

a Figwort

a Mullein

Purple Mullein

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Roadside nr Peschici

nr Bosco di Spina Pulci

Leaves only, Monte Calvo area

nr Mullein stop

Scrophularia peregrina

Verbascum longifolium

Verbascum phoeniceum

Scrophularia scopolii

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Verbascum thapsus	Aaron's Rod	Widespread on Roadsides nr Peschici
Verbascum undulatum	a Mullein	Leaves and tight buds only
Veronica cymbalaria	Cymbalaria-leaved Speedwell	Bosco Quarto
Veronica hederifolia agg Veronica serpyllifolia	Ivy-leaved Speedwell Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Widespread in shaded areas Grassy areas
veronica serpyilliolla	myme-leaved opeedwell	Classy aleas
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
Hyoscyamus alba	White Henbane	Walls of Pulsano Monastery
Solanum sodomeum	Apple of Sodom	Cliff-top nr Peschici
Thymelaeaceae	Daphne Family	
Daphne laureola	Spurge Laurel	Foresta Umbra
Daphne sericea		Roadside Cyclamen stop
Tiliaceae	Lime Family	
Tilia cordata	Small-leaved Lime	Roadside Cyclamen stop
Ulmaceae	Elm Family	
Ulmus sp.	An Elm	Monte Sant'Angelo
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
Parietaria judaica	Pellitory of the Wall	Common, rocks and walls
Urtica dioica	Nettle	Cultivated areas
Urtica pilulifera	Roman Nettle	Monte Saraceno
Valerianaceae	Valerian Family	
Centranthus ruber	Red Valerian	Widespread, Roadsides
Valeriana tuberosa	-	Pulsano area
Valerianella sp.	A Cornsalad	stony areas, Pulsano Gorge
Violaceae	Violet Family	
Viola arvensis	Field Pansy	Iris slopes, Viola site
Viola graeca	A Pansy (purple, yellow or cream)	Iris slopes, Bosco Quarto
Viola odorata	Sweet Violet	Foresta Umbra
Viola riviniana	Common Dog Violet	nr Bosco Quarto
Vitaceaea	Grape-vine Family	
Vitis vinifera	Grape	widely cultivated

## Liliidae (Monocotyledons)

Amaryllidaceae	Daffodil Family	
Allium neapolitanum	Naples Garlic	Pulsano Gorge
Allium pendulinum	Pendulous Garlic	Bosco Quarto
Allium roseum	Rose Garlic	Mullein stop
Allium subhirsutum	Hairy Garlic	Widespread
Allium subvillosum	-	Pulsano Gorge
Allium triquetum	Three-cornered Leek	nr Peschici
Allium ursinum	Ramsons	Foresta Umbra
Narcissus poeticus	Pheasant's-eye Daffodil	Bosco Quarto
Narcissus tazetta		Bosco Quarto - a few still in flower

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Araceae	Arum Family	
Arum italicum subsp. italicum	Large Cuckoo Pint	Monte Saraceno, Monte Sacro
Arum maculatum	Cuckoo Pint	Foresta Umbra
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
Asparagus acutifolius	Spiny Asparagus	Widespread, esp Bosco di Spina Pulci
Drimia (Urginea) maritima	Sea Squill	leaves only - Widespread.
Leopoldia (Muscari) comosa	Tassel Hyacinth	Widespread
Muscari neglecta	Dark Grape Hyacinth	abundant in some stony areas
Ornithogalum angustifolium	Common Star of Bethlehem	Widespread
Ornithogalum montanum	Star of Bethlehem (yellow)	Iris slopes
Ornithogalum pyrenaicum	Bath Asparagus	Mullein stop, mostly still in bud
Polygonatum multiflorum	Solomon's Seal	Foresta Umbra
Ruscus aculeatus	Butcher's Broom	Widespread, Bosco Quarto, Foresta Umbra
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
Carex caryophyllea	Spring Sedge	Quarry stop
Carex divulsa	Grey Sedge	Quarry stop
Carex sylvatica	Wood Sedge	Foresta Umbra
Dioscoreaceae	Black Bryony Family	
Dioscorea (Tamus) communis	Black Bryony	Roadsides stops, shaded areas
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
Crocus sp.	a Crocus	Leaves only
Gladiolus italicus	Field Gladiolus	leaves only, but a few flower spikes just opening
Moraea (Gynandriris) sisyrinchium	Barbary Nut	Roadside near coast
Hermodactylus tuberosus	Widow or Snake's-head Iris	Widespread, most over, but seed pods common
Iris foetidissima	Stinking Iris	Foresta Umbra, Cyclamen stop
Iris lutescens*	-	Hillsides in Bosco Quarto area
Iris pseudopumilla*	-	Bosco Quarto
Juncacaeae	Rush Family	
Luzula campestris	Field Wood-rush	Bosco Quarto
Luzula forsteri	Southern Wood-rush	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Liliaceae	Lily Family	
Tulipa sylvestris	Wild Tulip	Leaves only
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
Anacamptis coriophora (Orchis fragrans)	A Bug Orchid	Monte Saraceno on grassy bank
Anacamptis (Orchis) papilionacea	Pink Butterfly Orchid	Widespread, open sunny sites
Anacamptis (Orchis) morio	Green-winged Orchid	Widespread
Anacamptis (Orchis) morio subsp. picta	a Green-winged Orchid	one roadside site , Foresta Umbra
Cephalanthera damasonium	White Helleborine	Roadside slopes near Peschici
Cephalanthera longifolia	Sword-leaved Helleborine	Bosco Quarto
Anacamptis pyramidalis	Pyramidal Orchid	Mullein stop
Dactylorhiza (fuchsii) saccifera?	(Common) Spotted Orchid	Many tall flower spikes in copse nr Monte Calvo
Dactylorhiza romana	Roman Orchid	Bosco Quarto and other sites, common
Dactylorhiza sambucina	Elder-flowered Orchid	Scarce, below Monte Calvo

Arundo donax

Anthoxanthum odoratum

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Himantoglossum hircinum	Lizard Orchid	Several fine specimens coming into flower
Himantoglossum robertianum	Giant Orchid	going over, a few plants near Bosco Quarto
Neottia nidus-avis	Bird's Nest Orchid	Bosco Quarto
Neotinea (Orchis) lactea	Milky Orchid	Pulsano area
Neotinea maculata	Dense-flowered Orchid	A few specimens on slopes near hotel
Neotinea (Orchis) ustulata	Burnt Orchid	nr Foresta Umbra
Ophrys apifera	Bee Orchid	Fly-tip site, Italian form with white sepals
Ophrys apulica*	Apulian Ophrys	Pulsano Gorge, Fly-tip stop
Ophrys bertoloniformis*	-	nr Monte Sacro and other sites
Ophrys bertolonii	Bertoloni's Bee Orchid	nr Monte Sacro and other sites
Ophrys biscutella (argolica)	Spectacled Ophrys	Bosco Quarto and other sites
Ophrys bombyliflora	Bumblebee Ophrys	Pulsano Gorge
Ophrys fuciflora	Late Spider Orchid	Pulsano area
Ophrys fuciflora (parvimaculata)	Small-patterned Ophrys	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Ophrys iricolor		Monte Sant'Angelo ?? - poor specimens
Ophrys melena / numida	a Yellow Ophrys	MonteSaraceno - mostly faded and going
		over
Ophrys passionis var. garganica*	Gargano Ophrys	Pulsano area and several other sites
Ophrys lutea	a Yellow Ophrys	Scattered sites, open stony areas
Ophrys oestrifera ssp monti- gargani*		nr Peschici
Ophrys promontorii*	-	Pulsano areas
Ophrys sicula	-	Common and Widespread
Ophrys sipontensis*	-	Scarce, Pulsano area and Monte Sacro
Ophrys sphegodes	Early Spider Orchid	Widespread, seen at most orchid stops
O. sphegodes ssp atrata (O. incubacea)	Dark Ophrys	Roadside stop nr Foresta Umbra and Mullein site
Ophrys tenthredinifera	Sawfly Ophrys	Pulsano area, Monte Sacro and other sites
Orchis anthropophora	Man Orchid	Widespread, seen at most orchid stops
Orchis italica	Naked Man Orchid	Widespread, seen at most orchid stops
Orchis pauciflora	Sparse Flowered Orchid	Monte Sacro and Monte Calvo area
Orchis provincialis	Provence Orchid	Quarry stop, starting to go over
Orchis purpurea	Lady Orchid	nr Peschici in olive grove
Orchis quadripunctata	Four-spotted Orchid	Monte Sacro
Serapias cordigera	Heart-flowered Tongue Orchid	Bosco di Spina Pulci
Serapias lingua	Tongue Orchid	Widespread, sunny areas
Serapias parviflora	Small-flowered Tongue Orchid	Scarce, few plants in one olive grove, Fly-tip stop
Serapias vomeracea	Plough-share Tongue Orchid	Fly-tip stop
Hybrids (a selection)		
Dactylorhiza sambucina x D. romana		Possible - nr Monte Calvo
Ophrys incubacea x Ophrys garganica	-	Possible - nr Monte Sant'Angelo
Ophrys incubacea x Ophrys bertolonii	-	Roadside nr Foresta Umbra
Orchis x bivonae (O.anthropophora x italica)	-	??
Anacamptis morio x A. papilionacea	-	Pulsano area, going over
Orchis purpurea x O. italica		Pulsano area, single spike
Poaceae	Grass Family	
Aegilops geniculata	Aegilops	Pulsano and other sites
Anisantha diandra	Great Brome	Fields and Roadsides
Anisantha sterilis	Barren Brome	Scattered sites

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Wetlands nr coast

Bosco Quarto

Giant Reed

Sweet Vernal Grass

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Avena barbata	Bristle Oat	Fields and grassy areas
Avena sterilis	Barren Oat	Fields and grassy areas
Avena sp.	an Oat	Pulsano monastery
Briza maxima	Large Quaking Grass	Mullein stop
Briza media	Quaking Grass	Quarry stop
Brachypodium (sylvaticum)	False Brome	Bosco Quarto
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft-brome	Peschici cliff-top
Catapodium rigidum	Fern Grass	Rocks nr Quarry stop
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot	Mullein Stop
Festuca vivipera	Viviparous Fescue	Peschici
Hordeum murinum	Wall Barley	Coastal site near Zaponetta
Hordeum sp.	a Barley	Widespread
Lagurus ovatus	Hare's-foot Grass	Fly-tip stop
Melica uniflora	Wood Melick	Foresta Umbra
Phragmites australis	Common Reed	nr coastal salt pans
Rostraria cristata	Mediterranean Hair-grass	Peschici
Stipa pennata	a Feather Grass	Hillsides nr Peschici
Smilacaceae	Smilax Family	
Smilax aspera	Common Smilax	Pulsano Gorge and Mullein stop
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Asphodel Family	
Asphodeline lutea	Yellow Asphodel	Locally common
Asphodelus aestivus	Common Asphodel	Widespread
Asphodelus fistulosus	Hollow-leaved Asphodel	Pulsano
Lichens		
Lobaria pulmonaria	Tree Lungwort	Bosco Quarato, Foresta Umbra

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

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	Common name	Scientific name	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna	<b>✓</b>							
2	Mallard	Anas platyrhyncos	✓					✓		
3	Great Crested Grebe	Pociceps cristatus	<b>✓</b>							
4	Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus	✓							
5	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	✓							
6	Pygmy Cormorant	Microcarbo pygmaeus	✓							
7	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus							✓	
8	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus					✓			✓
9	Montagu's Harrier	Circus pygargus					✓			
10	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	✓							
11	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo			✓	✓	✓		✓	
12	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	✓							
13	Coot	Fulica atra	✓							
14	Eurasian Oystercatcher	Haematopus ostralegus	✓							
15	Curlew	Numenius arquata	✓							
16	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos						✓		
17	Ruff	Philomachus pugnax	✓							
18	Slender-billed Gull	Chroicocephalus genei	✓							
19	Yellow-legged Gull	Larus michahellis	✓			✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
20	Sandwich Tern	Thalasseus sandvicensis	✓							

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21	Rock Dove /Feral Pigeon	Columba livia		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	European Turtle Dove	Streptopelia turtur	✓							
24	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto				<b>✓</b>				
25	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus		✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓			
26	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba						✓		
27	Common Swift	Apus apus	<b>✓</b>	✓		✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	
28	European Bee-eater	Merops apiaster	✓	✓			✓			
29	Eurasian Hoopoe	Upupa epops	✓		✓	Н		Н		
30	European Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis			Н		Н	Н	Н	
31	Lesser Kestrel	Falco naumanni	✓							
32	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus		<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>
33	Red-footed Falcon	Falco verspetinus	<b>✓</b>							
34	Monk Parakeet	Myiopsitta monachus								<b>✓</b>
35	Woodchat Shrike	Lanius senator			<b>✓</b>					
36	Eurasian Golden Oriole	Oriolus oriolus				Н				
37	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius	<b>√</b>		<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		
38	Common Magpie	Pica pica	<b>-</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	
39	Western Jackdaw	Corvus monedula		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	
40	Hooded Crow	Corvus cornix		<b>✓</b>	✓ ·	<b>✓</b>	✓ ·	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
41	Northern Raven	Corvus corax		<b>✓</b>	✓ ·		✓ ·	✓ ·	<b>✓</b>	ļ ·
42	Marsh Tit	Poecile palustris		· /	<u> </u>	<b>✓</b>	_	<i>'</i>	_	
43	Eurasian Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus		· /	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	· ·	<b>✓</b>	
44	Great Tit	Parus major		· ·	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	· ·	· ·	<b>✓</b>	
45	Woodlark	Lullula arborea		Н	-	•	-	<b>,</b>	_	
46	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	<b>✓</b>	П						
46	Barn Swallow		<b>→</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	-
	Common House Martin	Hirundo rustica  Delichon urbicum		<b>,</b>	-	•	<b>,</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>V</b>	-
48									11	
49	Cetti's Warbler	Cettia cetti			<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	Н	Н	-
50	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus				<b>V</b>				-
51	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita			Н		Н	Н		
52	Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis	<b>✓</b>							
53	Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla			Н	Н	Н	Н	Н	
54	Common Whitethroat	Sylvia communis			<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>				
55	Subalpine Warbler	Sylvia cantillans				<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	
56	Sardinian Warbler	Sylvia melanocephala		✓		Н	Н			
57	Short-toed Treecreeper	Certhia brachydactyla			Н	Н	Н	Н		
58	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	<b>✓</b>							
59	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula			Н	Н	Н	Н	Н	
60	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos						Н		<u> </u>
61	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus					Н	Н		
62	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula			✓		✓	✓		
63	Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos			Н		Н	Н		<u> </u>
64	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius		?						
65	European Stonechat	Saxicola torquata		✓						
66	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe			✓					
67	Black-eared Wheatear	Oenanthe hispanica				✓				
68	Italian Sparrow	Passer italiae	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
69	Yellow (Black-headed) Wagtail	Motacilla flava feldegg	✓							
70	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
71	European Greenfinch	Chloris chloris				✓		✓		

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72	Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓		✓	✓			
73	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
74	European Serin	Serinus serinus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Corn Bunting	Emberiza calandra			✓	✓				
76	Rock Bunting	Emberiza cia								
77	Cirl Bunting	Emberiza cirlus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

## Mammals

1	Lesser White-toothed Shrew	Crocidura suaevolens	1							
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## Fish

1	Grey Mullet	✓				

# Reptiles & Amphibians

1	Moorish Gecko	Tarentola mauritanica		✓						
2	Common Wall Lizard	Podarcis muralis				✓				
3	Italian Wall Lizard	Podarcis sicula	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
4	Red-eared Terrapin	Trachemys scripta						✓		
5	Common Toad	Bufo bufo						✓		

## Molluscs

1	Pelican's-foot Shell	Aporrhais pes-pelecanis				✓	
2	Necklace Shell	Natica sp				✓	
3	Common Cerith					✓	
4	Shore Crab	Carcinus maenus	✓				

## Butterflies

1	Scarce Swallowtail	Iphicides podalirius		✓		✓	✓		✓	
2	Swallowtail	Papilio machaon	✓	✓		✓				
3	Festoon	Zerynthia cassandra					✓			
4	Small White	Pieris rapae		✓		✓				
5	Green-veined White	Pieris napi			✓		✓			
6	Eastern Bath White	Pontia edusa				✓				
7	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
8	Clouded Yellow	Colias crocea				✓	✓			
9	Berger's Clouded Yellow	Colias alfacariensis		✓						
10	Cleopatra	Gonepteryx cleopatra		✓			✓		✓	
11	Green Hairstreak	Callophrys rubi		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
12	Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas			<b>✓</b>	✓	✓			
13	Little Blue	Cupido minimus		✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓		✓	
14	Holly Blue	Celastrina argiolus							?	
15	Green-underside Blue	Glaucopsyche alexis		✓						
16	Brown Argus	Aricia agestis			✓		✓			
17	Chapman's Blue	Agrodiaetus thersites		✓						
18	Adonis Blue	Lysandra bellargus						✓		
19	Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus	✓				✓			
20	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta		✓	<b>✓</b>	✓		✓		
21	Painted Lady	Vanessa cardui		✓		✓	✓		✓	
22	Speckled Wood	Parage aegeria			✓				✓	

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23	Wall Brown	Lasiommata megera		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24	Small Heath	Coenonympha pamphilus		✓		✓	✓	✓		
25	Italian Marbled White	Melanargia arge		✓						
26	Red-underwing Skipper	Spialia sertorius						<b>✓</b>		

## Moths

1	Nine-spotted	Amata phegea				✓	
2	Transparent Burnet	Zygaena purpuralis				✓	
3	Hummingbird Hawk-moth	Macroglossum stellatum	✓				
4	a Tiger Moth	Ammobiota festiva	✓				
5	Forester Moth	Adscita statices	✓				
6	Cream-spot Tiger	Epicallia villica		✓	✓		

## Other Invertebrates

1	Hairy Hawker Dragonfly	Brachytron pratense						✓	
2	Green-eyed Hawker	Aeshna isosceles						✓	
3	Red-veined Darter	Sympetrum fonscolombeii						✓	
4	A red-striped Shield Bug	Graphosoma lineata (italica)	✓	✓	✓				
5	Carpenter Bee	Xylocopa violacea				✓			
6	Fairy Shrimp	Chirocephalus diaphanus				✓			

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Toothed Orchid



Late Spider Orchid