

CHECKLIST OF RUSHES AND WOOD-RUSHES - BEDS, OLD CAMBS, HUNTS, NORTHANTS AND PETERBOROUGH

Scientific name	Common Name	Height (cm)	National Status	Beds v.c.30	old Cambs v.c.29	Hunts v.c.31	Northants and P'boro
<i>Juncus acutiflorus</i>	Sharp-flowered Rush	30-160		uncommon	rare	uncommon	occasional
<i>Juncus acutiflorus x articulatus</i>	hybrid name <i>x surrejanus</i>	30-150		rare	very rare		
<i>Juncus ambiguus</i>	Frog Rush	5-17			very rare		
<i>Juncus articulatus</i>	Jointed Rush	5-80		common	common	common	common
<i>Juncus bufonius</i>	Toad Rush	5-50		common	common	frequent	common
<i>Juncus bulbosus</i>	Bulbous Rush	1-20		very rare	very rare	very rare	very rare
<i>Juncus compressus</i>	Round-fruited Rush	10-50		uncommon	occasional	rare	uncommon
<i>Juncus conglomeratus</i>	Compact Rush	40-100		occasional	uncommon	occasional	occasional
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft Rush	30-150		common	common	common	common
<i>Juncus effusus x inflexus</i>	hybrid name <i>x diffusus</i>	30-150		rare	very rare		
<i>Juncus gerardii</i>	Saltmarsh Rush, (Mud Rush)	5-50		very rare or extinct, introd./escape	very rare		very rare
<i>Juncus inflexus</i>	Hard Rush	20-120		common	common	common	common
<i>Juncus squarrosus</i>	Heath Rush	15-50		very rare or extinct	extinct		extinct
<i>Juncus subnodulosus</i>	Blunt-flowered Rush, (Fen Rush)	40-130		uncommon	occasional	uncommon	occasional
<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Slender Rush	10-50	Alien	very rare or extinct	very rare	very rare	very rare
<i>Luzula campestris</i>	Field Wood-rush, (Good-Friday-grass)	10-30		frequent	frequent	frequent	frequent
<i>Luzula forsteri</i>	Southern Wood-rush, (Forster's Wood-rush)	20-40		very rare			very rare
<i>Luzula multiflora</i>	Heath Wood-rush	10-60		uncommon	rare	uncommon	uncommon
<i>Luzula pallidula</i>	Fen Wood-rush	10-45	Nationally Rare			very rare	
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	Hairy Wood-rush	20-40		occasional	uncommon	uncommon	uncommon
<i>Luzula sylvatica</i>	Great Wood-rush	40-100		rare	very rare or extinct		uncommon

Abundance categories

common	uncommon - less than 20-25 sites/tetrads
frequent	rare - less than 7-8 sites/tetrads
occasional	very rare - less than 3-4 sites/tetrads
	absent - not known from the county or not recorded since c. 1950

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Notes

- 1 The list omits obscure aliens, subspecies, species absent from all four recording areas and hybrids.
- 2 Species in italics are not native to the country, see *New Flora of the British Isles*, 2nd ed. (Stace, 1997, CUP)
- 3 Scientific nomenclature follows *New Flora of the British Isles*, 2nd ed. (C.A.Stace, 1997, CUP)
- 4 Where scientific names have changed considerably the old (CTW) name is included in brackets after the Stace name.



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