

Broad - leaved Marsh orchid

Dactylorhiza majalis P.F.Hunt & Summerh.

DESCRIPTION

4-7 dark spotted ovate to lanceolate leaves on a hollow stem, densely flowered inflorescence

HABITAT

Wet meadows, vegetation of springs, Coastal marshes on soils poor in lime

DISTRIBUTION

widespread across much of Europe from Spain and Ireland to Siberia and Kazakhstan



DANGER

Drying out of habitat, entry of nitrogen through fertilizer usage

PROTECTION

CITES Washington Convention - Annex II,

EU regulation of trade of fauna and flora - Annex B.

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