

Autumn lady's-tresses

Spiranthes spiralis (L.) Chevall.

DESCRIPTION

Slender orchid with small, white to yellowish-green flowers, arranged in an helicoid inflorescence.

HABITAT

Sunny places in open coniferous woodland, maquis and olive groves.

DISTRIBUTION

Europe, eastwards to Iran and southwards to N Africa.



DANGER

Residential & commercial development (housing & urban areas; tourism & recreation areas), agriculture (annual & perennial non-timber crops), biological resource use (plant gathering), human intrusions & disturbance (work & other activities), natural ecosystem modifications, pollution (agricultural & forestry effluents).

PROTECTION

CITES Washington Convention - Annex II.

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

IUCN Red List of Threatened Species: Least Concern.

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