Kesrouanensis peony (EN)

Pivoine de Kesrouan (FR)

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Paeonia kesrouanensis Thiéb.

Growth conditions in the wild



Endemic to Lebanon and Turkey and could be present on the Syrian side of Anti-Liban.



It occurs in woodlands. It is found in sandy and rocky clay soils.



It grows in an altitudinal range of 1300 to 1800 m.a.s.l.

Seed germination



•Cold stratification for 1 month at 10°C.

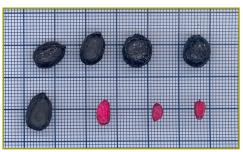


•Germination at 10°C on perlite. With a 12h light/day cycle.



- •First seedlings may be observed in 3 weeks.
 - •Average germination: 43%

Seed information and collection



- •Averaged weight for 100 seeds is 31.1 g (100 g \approx 322 seeds)
- •Seeds are collected directly from the dried fruit capsules in the form of a jester's hat.
- •The black seeds contain a mature embryo, while the red small seeds are sterile and empty.
- •Non-protected species, except inside protected areas where collection is regulated.

Seed management

- •Break fruit capsules with hand by twisting the capsule or by a small hydraulic press.
- •Seeds are orthodox, so can be dehydrated at 15°C and 15 % RH and stored at 5°C for several years, or 25°C as base collection.

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