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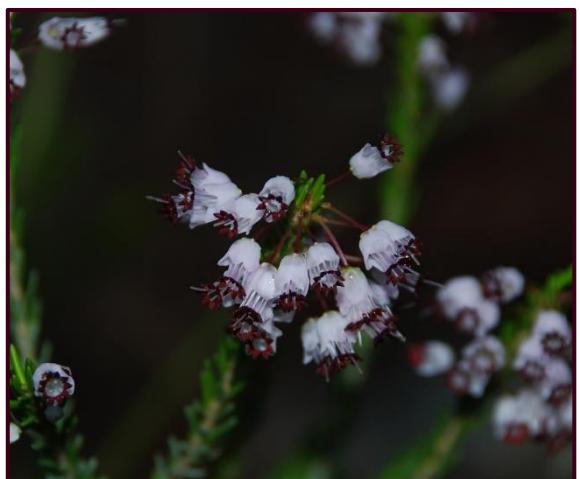


# Erica species of Lebanon

*Erica manipuliflora*



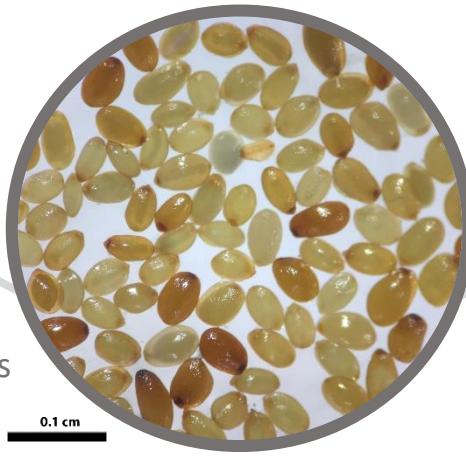
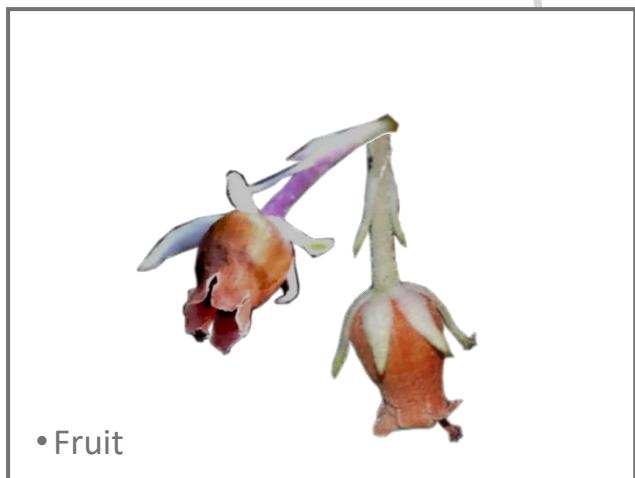
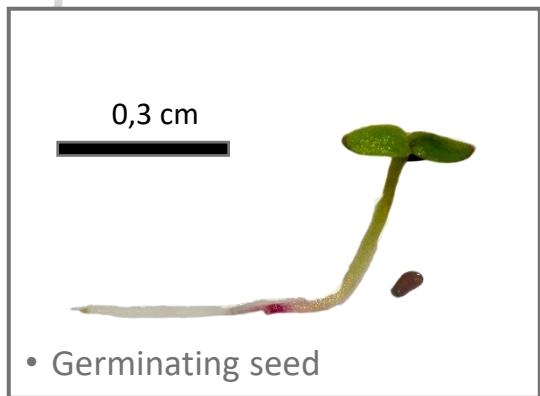
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## life cycle



Lebanese pentapera (EN)

Pentapéra de sicile (FR)

بنطيرة صقلية (AR)



## *Erica sicula subsp. Libanotica* P.F. Stevens

### Growth conditions in the wild



Endemic to Lebanon.

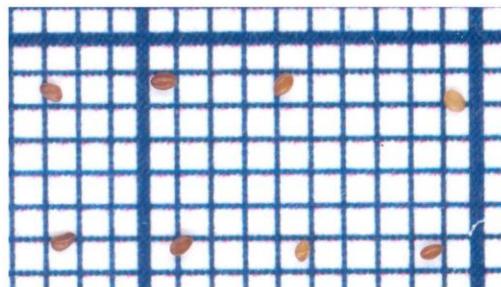


It is found on limestone rocks.



It is located in a wide altitudinal range, from ca. 300 to 1000 m.a.s.l.

### Seed information and collection



-Average weight for 100 seeds is 0.09 g (100 g ≈ 111 111 seeds)

-Seeds are present in a capsule.

-Non protected species, except inside protected areas where collection is regulated.

### Seed germination



-Germination at 16°C on agar medium at a cycle of 12h light/ 12h dark.



-First seedling may be observed in the first 30 days



- Average germination is 25 %

### Seed management

-Seeds are directly extracted from initial capsules.

-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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