

Species Datasheet

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(family.genus.species)

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1. Taxon:

Species: *Commelina erecta* L.

Subspecies:

Variety:

Cultivar:

Hybrid:

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2. Synonyms: *Commelina aethiopica* C.B.Clarke, *C. angustifolia* Hassk., *C. bahiensis* Hoffmanns. ex Spreng., *C. bahiensis* Willd. ex Roem. & Schult., *C. bainesii* C.B.Clarke, *C. elegans* Kunth, *C. elegans* var. *glabriuscula* Seub., *C. elegans* var. *hirsuta* Standl., *C. ensifolia* F.Muell., *C. erecta* f. *alba* Magrath, *C. erecta* f. *albina* Fernald, *C. erecta* f. *cana* Standl. & Steyerl., *C. erecta* f. *candida* Standl. & Steyerl., *C. erecta* subsp. *erecta*, *C. erecta* f. *erecta*, *C. erecta* var. *glochidea* (K.D.Koenig ex C.B.Clarke) Bhargava, *C. erecta* var. *greenii* Fassett, *C. erecta* f. *intercurva* Fernald, *C. gerrardii* C.B.Clarke, *C. guineensis* Hua, *C. hirsuta* Willd. ex Spreng., *C. kurzii* var. *glochidea* K.D.Koenig ex C.B.Clarke, *C. martiana* Seub., *C. pohliana* Seub., *C. saxicola* Small, *C. setosa* Wight ex Wall., *C. sulcata* Hoffmanns. ex Spreng., *C. sulcata* Benth., *C. sulcata* Willd. ex Roem. & Schult., *C. undulata* var. *densivestita* Domin, *C. venusta* C.B.Clarke, *C. virginica* var. *australis* C.B.Clarke, *C. virginica* var. *massonii* C.B.Clarke, *C. virginica* var. *villosa* C.B.Clarke, *C. vogelii* C.B.Clarke

3. Systematic position:

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- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperms
- Clade: Monocots
- Order: Commelinales Mirb. ex Bercht. & J. Presl
- Family: Commelinaceae Mirb.
- Genus: *Commelina* L.
- Species: *C. erecta* L.

Bentham and Hooker (1862)

Kingdom: Plantae
Division: Phanerogamia
Class: Monocotyledones
Series: Coronarieae
Ordo: Commelinaceae Mirb.
Genus: *Commelina* L.
Species: *C. erecta* L.

4. Distribution:

Global: Arabian Peninsula Saudi Arabia, Argentina Northwest, Arkansas, Bahamas, Bermuda, Brazil South, Brazil Southeast, Brazil West-Central, Brazil Brazil Northeast, Burkina, Cameroon, Cape Provinces, Caribbean Aruba, Cayman Island, Central African Republic, Central America Belize, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Delaware, District of Columbia, Dominican Republic, East Tropical Africa Kenya, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Florida, Free State, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Gulf of Guinea Island, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Iowa, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Kansas, Kentucky, KwaZulu-Natal, Leeward Island, Liberia, Louisiana, Macaronesia Cape Verde, Malawi, Mali, Maryland, Mexico Gulf, Mexico Northeast, Mexico Northwest, Mexico Southeast, Mexico Southwest, Mexico Mexico Central, Mississippi, Missouri, Mozambique, Namibia, Nebraska, Netherlands Antilles, New Jersey, New York, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Carolina, North-Central U.S.A. Illinois, Northeast Tropical Africa Chad, Northeastern U.S.A. Indiana, Northern Provinces, Northern South America French Guiana, Northwestern U.S.A. Colorado, Oklahoma, Panama, Paraguay, Pennsylvania, Peru, Puerto Rico, Rhode I., Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Carolina, South Dakota, South Tropical Africa Angola, South-Central U.S.A. New Mexico, Southeastern U.S.A. Alabama, Southern Africa Botswana, Southern South America Argentina Northeast, Southwest Caribbean, Southwestern U.S.A. Arizona, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Tanzania, Tennessee, Texas, Togo, Trinidad-Tobago, Uganda, Uruguay, Venezuela, Venezuelan Antilles, Virginia, West Tropical Africa Benin, West Virginia, West-Central Tropical Africa Burundi, Western South America Bolivia, Windward Island, Wyoming, Yemen, Zaire, Zimbabwe

India: Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu

5. Indigenous/Exotic/Endemic; Cultivated/Wild: Wild

6. Threat Status:

IUCN: Least Concern

BSI:

7. **Habit and Habitat:** Herb, Loamy or sandy soils or rocky slopes, a weed in cultivated ground

8. **Life Form:** Tuberous geophyte

9. **Economic Importance:** It is used in the treatment of wounds; it is macerated in rum and then rubbed on spider bites to bring relief

10. **Probable Progenitor of:**

11. **DNA**

C-value

(2C: 5.1-8.5pg; 4C: 10.3-17.0pg.)³⁵

Methodology:

Feulgen Microdensitometry (Fe)³⁵

12. **Basic chromosome number(s):** $x=15$ ^{35,37,40,42}

13. **Zygotic chromosome number(s):** $2n=52$ ^{35,64} 56 ^{17,33,41,67} 60 ^{33,35,40,41,44,63,68} 90 ³³ 112 ³³ 120 ^{33,41}

14. **Gametic chromosome number(s):** $n=30$ ^{33,37,40,42} 60 ³⁷

15. **Specialized chromosomes (B chromosomes/Sex chromosomes/polytene chromosomes/Neocentric chromosomes):**

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16. **Ploidy level:** Tetraploid^{35,37,40,42} Octaploid³⁷

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17. **Agameteoploidy:**

18. **Nature of polyploidy (auto, segmental, allo, autoallo):** Allopolyploidy^{40,42}

19. **Genomic formula:**

20. **Aberrant chromosome number(s) (aneuploidy, aneusomy, polysomy):**

21. **Somatic chromosomes:**

Karyotype: (30m+26sm+4st)⁴⁰

Chromosome size: Medium size

NOR chromosome(s): 2NOR⁴⁰

Degree of asymmetry: 2A⁴⁰

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22. Banding pattern(s):

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23. Physical mapping of chromosomes:

In situ hybridization

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Fluorescent in situ hybridization

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24. Genomic in situ hybridization:

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25. Linkage map:

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26. Chromosome associations:

Female meiosis:

Male meiosis: 30II^{40,42}, 15.10II+29.66I⁴²

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27. Chromosome distribution at anaphase I:

28. Genetic diversity:

Chromosomal level:

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DNA level

29. Any other information (Apomixis; Inversion; Male sterility; Pollen grain mitosis; Pollen stainability; Translocations etc):

Pollen stainability(%): 99.7⁴⁰, 95.88³⁷