

## DUNE CONSERVATION – SEED COLLECTION OF THE SEA DAFFODIL (*Pancratium maritimum*)



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This flower blooms from the end of June to September when most of the plants have already finished flowering.

The flowers are pedicellate, large and showy, very similar to daffodils.

It lives in the coastal dunes. It requires well-drained soil even if this is poor, dry and arid. It needs full exposure to the sun. The plant can bury itself deep to avoid desiccation, or it can grow longer stems if it is heavily covered with sand.

The plant is pollinated by the *Convolvulus Hawk* moth – the *Agrius Convolvuli*. These insects visit the flower when the wind speed is two meters per second.

