## Helvetic androsace

Androsace helvetica (L.) All., 1785

The Helvetic androsace is a cushion-shaped plant. Its small, tightly packed leaves form very hairy, compact, greyish-green columns. The numerous white flowers seem to be "stitched" on this cushion.

Like all cushioned androsace, the Swiss androsace enjoys national protection: its collection is prohibited.

## Not to confuse

The Swiss androsace can be confused with the pubescent androsace, but the latter does not form such compact leaf columns and cushions.



**Common names** Helvetic androsace

## Environment

High altitude sedimentary rock ridges (limestone, dolomite)

**Altitude** 2000-3300m

Season

• june - august

Size 5 to 15 cm

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