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Cedar of Lebanon (EN) Cèdre du Liban (FR) أرز لبنان (AR)



Cedrus libani A.Rich.

Growth conditions in the wild



Endemic to Lebanon, Syria and Turkey.



It is found on calcareous and rocky soils. Develops a very rich soil around it.



It is located in a wide altitudinal range, from 1200 to 1900 m.a.s.l.

Seed germination



12 h

Cold stratification for 30 days at 4°C.

Germination at 4°C on agar with 12h light 12h night cycle.

First seedling may be observed in about 30 days.

Average germination : 70 %

Seed information and collection



Averaged weight for 100 seeds is 8.132g (100g \approx 1230 seeds).

Cones must be collected when they are brown and open.

Cedrus libani is present in different Nature reserves in Lebanon

Seed management

•Cones can be collected when they are brown and sufficiently mature (the cone can easily break when pressure is applied to it). They can also be dried at 25°C for about 20 days.

•Seeds are orthodox so can be dehydrated at 15% RH and stored at 5°C for several years, or-25°C as base collection.

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