

***Geranium sylvaticum* L.**

Wood Crane's-bill

Error?

GB: Least Concern

England: Near Threatened

VC5 Absent; VC6 Extinct

A rhizomatous perennial herb of damp woodlands, hay meadows and rock ledges. Recorded only once in Somerset, on a railway bank at Shepton Montague and shown to W. Watson before 1914. Marshall (1914) commented that it was "A very strange occurrence, as this northern plant is seldom grown in gardens", whilst Green *et al.* (1997) wondered whether it was in fact an error for *G. pratense*. As a native *G. sylvaticum* is restricted to northern England, Scotland and a few sites in Wales and Co Antrim and is occasionally naturalised elsewhere.