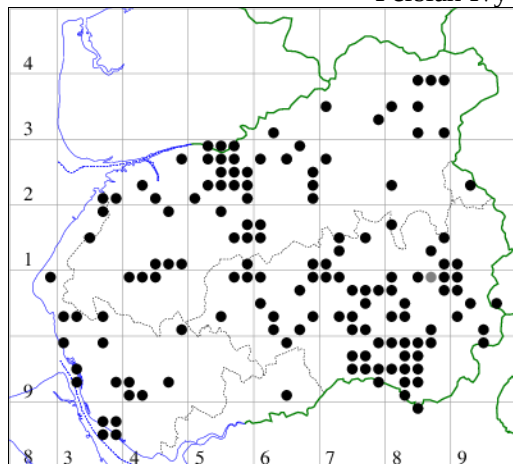


## ARALIACEAE

Ivy family

*Hedera colchica* (K. Koch) K. Koch

Persian Ivy



Walton-le-Dale DP Earl 2020



Silver-variegated form Greaves Hall, Banks  
DP Earl 2008



Golden-variegated form Greaves Hall, Banks  
DP Earl 2009

**Status & distribution:** Neophyte-naturalised; widely planted and established.

**Earliest record traced:** Darwen Cemetery (SD62V, P Jepson, before 1987).

**Habitat:** In ornamental woods, planted shrubberies, land on the edge of gardens.

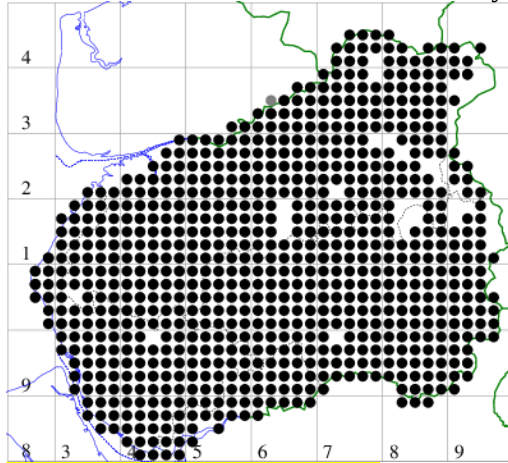
**Comments:** Native to Caucasus. Sprawling out of gardens into adjoining habitats and increasingly established. The var. *tridentata* is also widely naturalised.



Churchtown J Somerville 2008



*Hedera helix* L. Common Ivy



Insert image with typical leaves



Birkdale DP Earl 2008

**Status & distribution:** Native, Least Concern (Red List for England); common and widespread.

**Habitat:** Woods, hedgerows, shaded railway banks and walls.

**Comments:** Numerous horticultural varieties are semi-established close by to housing.



Birkdale DP Earl 2006



Walton-le-Dale DP Earl 2020





Greaves Hall, Banks DP Earl 2008

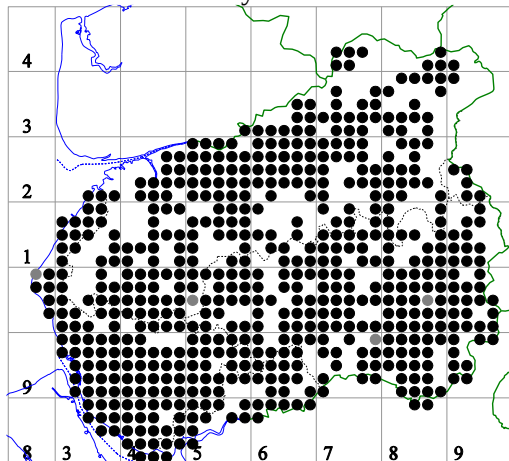
***Hedera helix* L. ssp. *poetarum* (Bertol.) Nyman** Mediterranean Ivy

**Status & distribution:** Neophyte-naturalised; Lane leading to Salthill Quarry, Clitheroe (SD7442, MP Wilcox, 2010) with additional plants at Salthill Quarry SD7542, MP Wilcox, 2023; hedge at Chapel Lane, Longton (SD4825, M Chappell, 2015).

**Comments:** Native to the Mediterranean.

***Hedera hibernica* (G. Kirchn.) Bean**

**'Hibernica'** Irish Ivy



Dog Kennel Wood DP Earl 2020

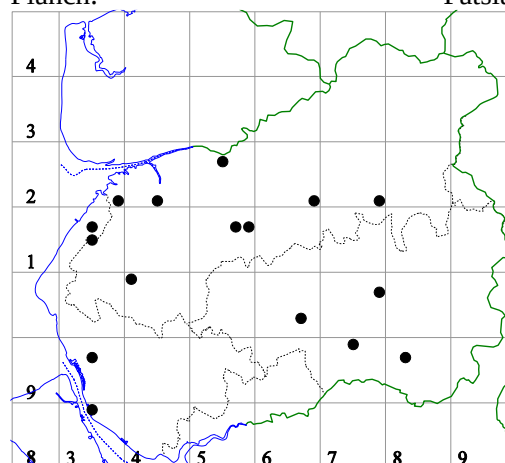


Southport DP Earl 2009

**Status & distribution:** Neophyte-naturalised; extensively established in areas nearby to houses, in parks and woodlands where this ivy can soon smother the native ground flora,  
**Earliest record traced:** Liverpool (SJ3490, V Gordon, 1975).

***Fatsia japonica* (Thunb.) Decne. & Planch.**

**Fatsia**





Preston Junction DP Earl 2011

**Status & distribution:** Neophyte-surviving; widely scattered but increasing.

**Earliest record traced:** Relic of cultivation at the site of Southport Infirmary (SD3416, DP & J Earl, 2010).

**Habitat:** In woodlands, abandoned gardens, roadsides, river, canal and railway banks usually close by to housing in urban and suburban areas.

**Comments:** Native to Japan.

***Aralia chinensis* L.** Chinese Angelica-tree



Birchwood DP Earl 2012



Near Top Bank, Bolton DP Earl 2022

**Status & distribution:** Neophyte-surviving; Birchwood Walled Garden (SJ6491, DP & J Earl & P & A Bowdler, 2012); suckering at Shevington Moor (SD5410, DP & J Earl, 2012); Top Bank, Bolton (SD7113, DP & J Earl, 2022).

**Comments:** Native to China. The plants belonging to the genus *Aralia* that have been found are possibly this species but require confirmation.