

Sea juniper is a small evergreen tree, of very slow growing and of great longevity. It appears in dunes and sandy areas in the Mediterranean coast.

Nowadays this species is at extinction's door due to serious alterations prosecuted in the coast during the last decades.

The consequence of dune devastation in La Devesa to urbanize the area during the 70's has been a gradual drop of juniper population. Nowadays, there are only 122 specimens left that take refuge in places that are not very suitable for life, and where the seeds that get to germinate are not viable. Moreover, the survival of these old specimens depend on man intervention.



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Coastal dune restoration with Juniperus spp. in Valencia



Planned performances:

- 1 Restoration of the second chain of dunes and plantation of dune species
- 2 Lagoon (malladas) restoration
- 3 Creation of a lagoon in order to introduce "fartet" and "samaruc"
- 4 Plantation of more than 1,000 sea junipers
- 5 Spreading and environmental education campaign

Aim of Life Enebro's project

Restoration of sea juniper's habitat
(*Juniperus oxycedrus* subsp. *macrocarpa*)
en La Devesa de l'Albufera of Valencia

