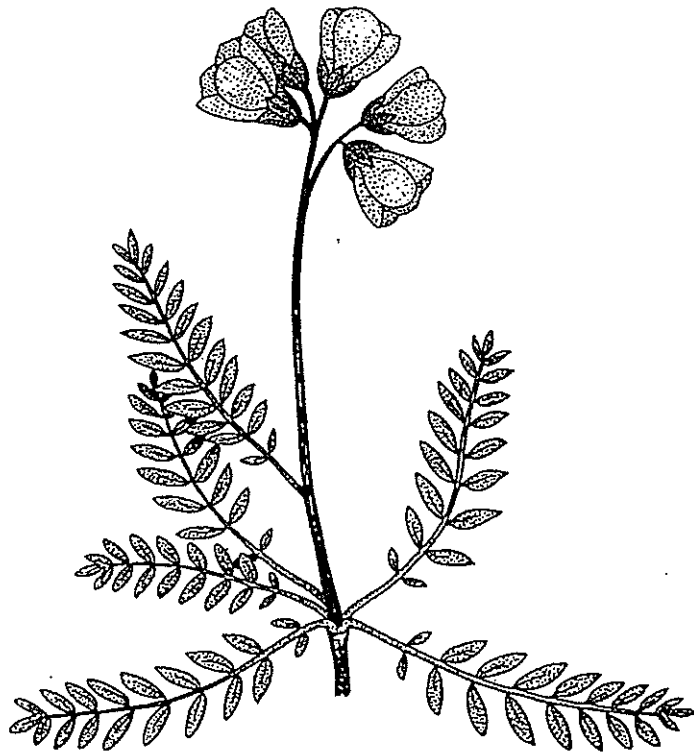


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# Flora of North Norway: *Pinguicula villosa* L. (Lentibulariaceae)

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## ABSTRACT

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*Distribution, ecology, history and ethnobotany of Pinguicula villosa* L. in North Norway are summarized. The species has a distinctly eastern distribution in Fennoscandia, extending into Norway in the far north (Finnmark and interior Troms) and the easternmost part of Southern Norway. In North Norway, it is mainly found in the interior areas, growing on Sphagnum hummocks (usually *S. luscum*) on oligotrophic mires, often påsa bogs; from near sea level to 564 m a.s.l.

## INTRODUCTION

This paper is the first in a series summarizing data on the flora of North Norway. *Pinguicula villosa* L. is by far the rarest of the three *Pinguicula* species found here.

## TAXONOMY

*Pinguicula villosa* belongs to subgenus *Pinguicula*, which also includes the widespread *P. vulgaris* L. They are not closely related; *P. villosa* is the only member of section *Nana* (Casper 1962:41, 1966:41, 65, Schlauer 1986, Legendre 2000:84). *P. villosa* is probably one

of the oldest members of the genus (Casper 1962:45, cf. Warming 1886:34).

*P. villosa* is easily recognized, and can hardly be confused with the two other species (*P. alpina* and *P. vulgaris*) found in Fennoscandia.

*P. villosa* shows little variation. White-flowered specimens (*f. albiflora*) may occur (Frödin 1915: 129), but have not been reported from North Norway; neither has a form with branched stem and two flowers, *lus. ramosa*, described by Casper (1962:44).

Warming (1886:27-37) carried out a detailed investigation of the morphology and floral biology of *P. villosa*, based on observations made at Alla, Finnmark. Figures based on the Alla

specimens are also reproduced in Heide (1912: 473-474).

The only chromosome count available for *P. villosa* in Norway (2n=12) derives from material collected at Dovre in SE Norway (Knaben 1950: 147).

#### PHYTOGEOGRAPHY

The total area of *P. villosa* is circumpolar and circumboreal, but with a large disjunction in W Siberia (Casper 1962:44, 1966:42, 45; Hultén & Fries 1966a:858, 1966b:1127). The species' three main areas of distribution cover northern Fennoscandia and adjacent NW Russia, E Siberia to Kamchatka, and the arctic areas of N America. It is absent from Greenland and most other arctic islands.

Within Fennoscandia, *P. villosa* has an eastern to northeastern distribution (see maps in Lagerberg *et al.* 1957:186, Hultén 1971:412, Mossberg *et al.* 1992:420). Contrary to *P. alpina*, *P. villosa* is mostly restricted to the eastern side of the Scandinavian mountain chain (Lagerberg *et al.* 1957:186). The species is frequent in the northern parts of Finland and Sweden, extending northwards into the interior areas of Northern Norway, and southwards into the interior of SE Norway.

#### DISTRIBUTION IN NORTH NORWAY

In North Norway, *P. villosa* is only known from the two northernmost counties (Troms and Finnmark). It should be searched in Nordland, as some stations in northern Sweden approach the border (cf. Hultén 1971:412).

In Troms county, *P. villosa* is a rare species, so far reported from 14 stations, mostly along the Swedish border (Benum 1958:346 and map

490, Vorren 1977:13, Engelskjøn & Skille 1995: 167). It is more frequent in Finnmark county, being recorded from numerous stations at the interior plateau (Finnmarksvidda), extending northwards to the fjord areas of Alta, Porsanger and Lebesby, and to the northern side of the Varanger fjord, East Finnmark.

The first record in North Norway is a collection made in "Varanger", East Finnmark, by Chr. Welfingh, mentioned by Gunnarus (1772:71): "E Varangria missa a pl. V. D. Welfingh, rarissima"; cf. Dahl (1893:57). The specimen has not been preserved (cf. Krovoll & Nettebladt 1985).

#### List of stations

The list includes herbarium specimens in BG, H, O, TRH & TROM, and stations mentioned in literature, plus some field notes. Material in other herbaria is only incorporated if details are given in literature sources, e.g. the lists of *Specimina visa* in the monographs of Casper (1962, 1966).

#### TROMS

**Bardu**, Håvågvoipmi: Čoarđajávri (31.07.1979, E.M. Engelskjøn & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 104902); Leinavain NE: Osováras (27.07.1979, T. Engelskjøn, TROM 104898); Leinavain E: Čaolbnevádda, 500 m a.s.l. (29.07.1979, T. Engelskjøn, TROM 104901); Gaskaoroluočka, 500 m a.s.l. (29.07.1979, E.M. Engelskjøn & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 104903); further details on the stations in Bardu, see Engelskjøn (1984:129-130).

**Målselv**, Målselva: Beinvevdalen, Julistied (22.07.1985, J.M. Norman, O & TROM 104899); on the south side of Beinvevdalen according to Norman (1900:865); Ruten (1865, J.M. Norman, O), at the foot of the mountain according to Norman (1868:286, 1900:865).

Øvre Dividal national park: mire a little above Divifoss, W side of Divivalva (27.06.1973, K.-D. Vorren, T. Engelskjøn & S. Spielkvik, TROM 104900).

**Storfiord**, Signaldalen: Mannfjell, NW part, ca. 500 m a.s.l. (R. Rudstalo 10.08.1958, H). Skibohn: mire 0.5 km SE of the crossroads to Oldereiv camping

(03.07.1973, T. Engelskjøn & S. Spielkvik, TROM 104906); Skibohdalen: Helligskogen: Dæpmollåttu, 355 m a.s.l. (08.07.1995, T. Engelskjøn, H.B. Gjørum, O. Skille, B. Yurisev & M. Aasen, TROM 42652); above Helligskogen, at the path to the Dinnujávri area (22.07.1957, S. Swertsen, TROM 104905); mires W of Gálggojávri (11.08.1936, P. Benum, TROM 104904).

**Nordreisa**, Málalávi: below Gløddenoaivi (06.08.1984, H. Sætrafjol, exc., TROM 45830); probably identical to the station given as Hoekkanjávri in the excursion reports (Sætra 1984:176, 1988:190).

**Kvaenangen**, Brennbukt, 213 m a.s.l. (15.08.1882, J.M. Norman, see Norman 1900:865).

#### FINNMARK

**Alta**, Kálfjord (1841, M.N. Blytt, O; undated (1841?); anonymous [M.N. Blytt?], BG; Lund 1842:107, Blytt 1874:816; Norman 1900:865; Dahl 1934:396); same area, "on the mountains" (1841, N. Lund, TRH); Bassekop (1821, J.W. Zetterstedt, LD; 08.07.1885, B. Skørn, TROM 127458; 09.07.1885, S. Möller, O; Warming 1886:28, Heide 1912:473-474, Dahl 1934:396).

**Altaelva**: Raipas (19.07.1878?, J.M. Norman, TRH; undated, J.M. Norman, O; 27.07.1900, R.E. Fridtz, O; 19.07.1903, O. Dahl, O); to 400 m a.s.l. according to Dahl 1934:396). Lille Raipas (27.07.1900, R.E. Fridtz, O); Øvre Raipas (19.07.1878, J.M. Norman, BG & O; 27.07.1878, J.M. Norman, TRH; Dahl 1934:396); according to Norman (1900:865) also recorded 17.07.1878, at two stations, 115 and 211 m a.s.l.

**Peska** (1852, J.M. Norman, BG; undated, J.M. Norman, BG & O; Dahl 1934:396), according to Norman (1868:286, 1900:865) above the tree-line.

**Eivisdalen**: Rávtašvárr/Helleltoppen (17.07.1913, O. Dahl, O); below Rávtašvárr/Helleltoppen (06.08.1968, H.B. Gjørum, TROM 48584; Dahl 1934:396); Vuohšvárr (25.07.1913, O. Dahl, O).

**Gargia**: Sillieva 3 km N of Gargia fjelstue, N side (25.07.1955, A. Danielsen, BG); Sillieva, 1 km W of Gargia fjelstue, 150 m a.s.l. (29.07.1955, J. Lid, O); Sillieva, S side, ca. 3 km from Gargia fjelstue, slope below Midfjell (25.07.1955, O.J. Rønning, TROM 127713); gorge 2 km N of Gargia fjelstue, 200 m a.s.l. (29.07.1955, J. Lid, O); Gargidalen, 128 m a.s.l. (undated, J.M. Norman, nol., see Norman 1900:865, Dahl 1934:396); 1 km W of Gargia fjelstue, at Grønnåsen/Fuonhanjurni (26.07.1955, O.J. Rønning, TROM 127712); at Joakkaiočka (17.07.1982, L. Møisler & O. Skille, TROM 127723).

**Tverrelvdalen**: Borrás (07.07.1913, O. Dahl, O). "Allen" (1841, M.N. Blytt, O; 1841, N. Lund, nol., see Lund 1842:107; undated, J.M. Norman, BG & O; Brooke 1827:151); "Allenfjord" area (Martins 1848: 99, 135).

**Guovdageainnu/Kautokeino**, Beaskačodas: southern part towards Láhnejávri (1821, J.W. Zetterstedt, nol., Zetterstedt 1822:159, Blytt 1874:816; Norman 1900:865); Áksšoluoppl, 475 m a.s.l. (27.07.1955, J. Lid, O).

**Suolovoipmi**: at the mountain lodge (29.07.1955, A. Danielsen & K. Fægn, BG); Unna Suolojávras, mire below Borri (31.07.1968, S. Swertsen, TROM 127720).

**Guovdageainnu/Kautokeinoelva**: at Virdnejávri (08.07.1974, O. Gjørvoll, TRH).

**Čabardasjohka**: Juntnejávri (26.07.1955, J. Lid, O); Guovdageainnu/Kautokeino: Labbessolu, 2 km north of the village, 320 m a.s.l. (27.07.1955, J. Lid, O); mire 1 km north of the village (26.07.1955, J. Lid, O); "Kautokeinojellier" (27.07.1955, O. Gjørvoll, O); Láhpojohka: Vuotšajávri, Mohkkejávri and Láhpojávri (10.-11.08.1900, O. Dahl, O; cf. Dahl 1934:396).

**Anarjohka**: Sutesvoipmi (08.07.1969, S. Swertsen, TROM 127719); Bosmanijávri, lower lake (04.07.1969, S. Swertsen, TROM 127718); Skienčanjohka: outlet of Njulasjohka (25.07.1969, S. Swertsen, TROM 127717).

**Øvre Anarjohka**: Anarjohka national park, frequent (Swertsen 1976:34 & 51), found in UTM grid squares MS 01, 02, 03, 04, 11, 12, 13, 14, 21, 22, and 23.

**Porsanger**, Stabbursdalen national park (Ryvarden 1972b:80); Stabbursfossen (07.1935, C. Platou, O 96829); Stabburnes (05.07.1898, A. Landmark, O; Dahl 1934:396).

**Vesterbohn** (30.07.1900, O. Dahl, O); Oldereidet (30.07.1900, O. Dahl, O & TRH; Dahl 1934:396). Lakselva: below Meardevári, opposite Revfossnes (11.07.1901, O. Dahl, O; 05.07.1916, O. Dahl, O; Dahl 1934:396); Luollevári (08.07.1916, O. Dahl, O); Lakselva area (Møisler 1981:29).

**Skuvvarvárr/Skoganvarre**: tarn in Čaavresjohka at Čaavresjohkka (15.07.1961, S. Swertsen, TROM 127724).

**Bienneiva**: Pohčivoipmi (Svalastog 1995:34).

**Kárášjohka/Karasjok**, Idjávri/Náhttranel, S end (24.07.1958, O. Gjørvoll, TRH); Čáipesjávri, NE of the road (23.07.1958, O. Gjørvoll, TRH). Kárášjohka/Karasjok (19.07.1885, G. Bakke, BG & O; 07.1885, G. Bakke, BG & TROM 127714); 4 km S

of the settlement (18.06.1963, B. Mathiesen, TROM 127715).

Anafjofka: Ikkorasjofka (28.07.1910, V. Ojlla, H. 10.07.1953, S. Sversten, TROM 127716); same area, at the foot of Diljáværi (30.06.1955, S. Sversten, BG).

Øvre Anafjokkabæjil Anafjofka national park, fire-quent (Sversten 1976:34 & 51), found in UTM grid squares MS 25 and 34.

Lebesby: Ifjord, small mire at the fjord head (27.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127721; Ryvarden 1967: 60).

Dealnú/Tana: Dealnú/Tana river: Birkelund (01.08.1957, T.M. Fries, O. Blytt 1874:816); Langnes (01.08.1957, T.M. Fries, LD & O. 15.07.1855, C. Sommerfeld, O. 01.07.1858, C. Sommerfeld, O. 07.07.1858, C. Sommerfeld, O. Blytt 1874:816); Ruosleifelona: Langnesmyra (15.07.1855, C. Sommerfeld, O. Norman 1900:865); Rássejofka (11.07.1859, C. Sommerfeld, O.); see also Fries (1858:58, 1865:43).

Holmfjellei/Suolovári, W side (10.08.1968, L. Ryvarden, O).

Leavajofka: Sátráskáidi, at Leavajofka (21.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, H & O); same area, W side of Sátráskáidi near Leavajofka (21.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127748); W side of Sátráskáidi about 8 km W of the Leavajofka mountain lodge, large mire ca. 300 m a.s.l. (17.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127750); Rásitigásáid (undated, P. V. Deinboll, O.); below Rásitigásáid (17.08.1965, P. Kallio & O. Skille, TROM 72921); Geaidnojofka, small mire at the S side of the hill (on older maps given as 325 m a.s.l.) E of hill 282 m a.s.l., 3 km from the outlet in Leavajofka (13.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127745); same area, small mire 2 km from the outlet in Leavajofka (12.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127746); Jorboacavi, E side, above Geaidnojofka, at a small mire, 200 m a.s.l. (11.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127747). Dordrejofka, at the outlet in Dealnú/Tana (26.07.1964, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127751; 20.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127749).

Buolihálf/Polmak, below Vuohppaværi (06.08.1917, O. Dahl, O. Dahl 1934:396).

Stora Leitpollen: Hánaifjofka, lower course (18.07.1968, L. Ryvarden, O).

\*Tana\* (undated, N. Lund, BG & O. Lund 1946:39).

Vadsø: Kiby: Kibymyra (22.07.1966, B. Vorren & K.-D. Vorren, TROM 127752).

Urhjåga/Nesseby: Mortensnes (Blytt 1874:816, Dahl 1934:396), both probably referring to a find made "the-

hind" Storfjellet by T. M. Fries and Chr. Sommerfeld (Norman 1900:865). Nyborg (Schübeler 1886:129); same site, mire (27.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127722). Varangerbøl, "i største Mængde" ["in the greatest quantity"] (Sommerfeld 1799:119, cf. Blytt 1874:816, Norman 1900:865, Dahl 1934:396, Alm 1992:232-233).

Skjåholmen/Våjgavuonsuolu (A. A. Anthenius 1880, not, see Alm & Pirainen 1997:51 & 60).

Sør-Varanger: Neiden: Færdesmyra (23.07.1965, B. Vorren & K.-D. Vorren, TROM 127728; Vorren 1979b: 167, 177, Fremstad 1984:33).

Munkelva: hillsides above Munkelvi (05.08.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 127756); at the lower course of Munkelva (undated, J.M. Norman, not, see Norman 1900:866, Dahl 1934:396).

Skogerøya: in the valley S of Skogerøytoppen, 50 m a.s.l. (03.08.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 127739); at the farm S of Skogerøytoppen, ca. 150 m a.s.l. (03.08.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 127743); at Bevholmen (03.08.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelskjøn, TROM 127740).

Kirkenes: Postmestervain (02.07.1938, H. Holmsen, O).

Pasvik: between the inner end of Langyannel and Svanvik (23.07.1908, A. Landmark, O), same area, frequent along the road (Norman 1900:866); W of Svanvik (13.07.1890, A. Landmark, O); Svanvik (1864?; J.M. Norman, O. 23.07.1908, A. Landmark, O. 14.07.1917, O. Dahl, O.); S of Svanvik on the large mire expands towards Skogerøy/Menkasaraft (29.08.1864, J.M. Norman, not.; Norman 1868:296, 1900: 866); on the mire opposite Skogerøy/Menkasaraft (08.1864, J.M. Norman, O); Bjørnsund (10.07.1875, J.M. Norman, O. Norman 1900:866); Strand - Bjørnsund (05.08.1919, P. Bennum, TROM 127735).  
Waterfall at Fuglebukta/Gaalsjåvi (28.08.1866, J.M. Norman, O); between Fuglebukta/Gaalsjåvi and Langyannel/Boršjåvi (Norman 1868:296, 1900: 866).

W of Skogloss, farm NW of hill 140 (29.07.1958, I. Kaasa & J. Kaasa, TROM 127339). 1 km SSW of Skogloss, mire just N of Solglettivann (25.07.1958, I. Kaasa & J. Kaasa, TROM 127331); mire at the Pasvikelva river at border post No. 109 (28.07.1958, I. Kaasa & J. Kaasa, TROM 127330); at border post No. 110 (25.07.1958, I. Kaasa & J. Kaasa, TROM 127332).

Kobbloss, near the farm 800 m N of the former tourist station (27.07.1956, I. Kaasa & J. Kaasa, TROM 127729).

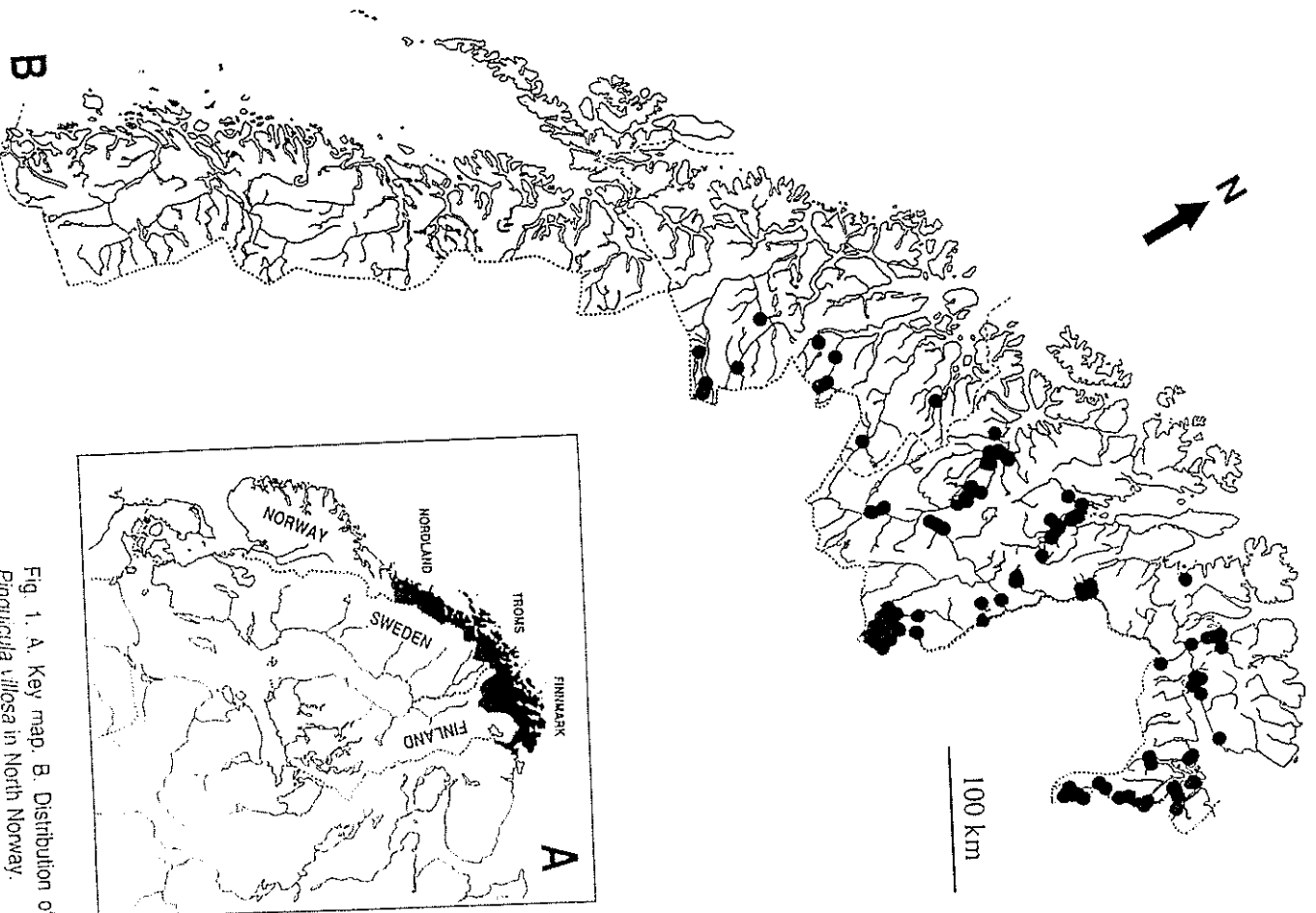


Fig. 1. A. Key map. B. Distribution of *Pinus cembra villosa* in North Norway.

Gjøddevann/Havgljåvi/drainage area (02.08.1965, B. Vorren & K.-D. Vorren, TROM 127726).  
Pasvikelva: Gjøttbukka SW of Noatun (28.07.1994, T. Alm, K.A. Bråthen & A. Olien, TROM 47496).  
Gaukvann, E side (24.07.1949, N. Hauge, OJ); S of Murak, OJ).

Ødevarnabekken, 80 m a.s.l. (16.08.1984, H. Edvardson & B. Moe, TROM 127742); at the path to Ødevarsskolea, N of Røyskalljøma, 110 m a.s.l. (05.07.1983, K.M. Sarre & K. Heiland, TROM 127741).  
Ellenvann, N end (13.07.1968, L. Ryvarden & S. Sivertsen, TROM 127727); W side of Ødevarn (07.07.1965, L. Ryvarden, TROM 127334); Pasvik national park (Ryvarden 1972a:38).

Elvenes: at the road towards Skallehullet (30.07.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelsen, TROM 127744); at border cairn 360 (24.07.1903, R.E. Fridtz, OJ).  
Bøkfjorden: Svarfaksia (13.07.1938, A. Hogstvedt, OJ).  
Ropelv (04.07.1965, K.-E. Sibblund, O 235524); Myrøll (21.07.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelsen, TROM 127737); hill above Indre Ropelv (07.1968, L. Borgen, G. Bråthen & T. Engelsen, TROM 127725).  
Nedre Ropelvåhn (27.07.1903, R.E. Fridtz, OJ); Øreloppanæne/Bealjakåvri (19.07.1977, K.-E. Sibblund, O 97063).

Storskog: Storskogfjell [= lake SE of Bonfjelle] (24.07.1903, R.E. Fridtz, O; 24.07.1968, G. Bråthen & T. Engelsen, TROM 127738); Storslåtjelf (26.07.1903, R.E. Fridtz, OJ).

Jarfjorden: between Pandones and Karpel (23.07.1903, R.E. Fridtz, OJ); Karpedalen (12.07.1875, J.M. Norman, OJ); at Suoidnejåvi according to Norman (1900:865).  
Jarfjorden (undated [1864], S. Henschen, not.; Fries 1885:49, Bjørn 1874:816).

**Other records:** Varanger (18th century, C. Weidling, see Gunnarus 1772:71, Wahlberg 1812:180 and Dahl 1893:57); "in Varangia Finn. orient." (undated [early 19th century], P.V. Deimboil, TRH; see Dahl 1892:89).  
"Finnmarken" (undated [1841 or 1842], N. Lund, TROM 127456; undated [19th century], J.M. Norman, BG; undated [19th century], J.D.S. Landmark, TROM 127457).

The map (fig. 1) gives a fairly good picture of *P. villosa* distribution in North Norway. It should be noted, however, that the species is frequently overlooked (Dahl 1934:386, Engelsen 1984:129), and will probably turn up at many as yet undetected stations, at least in Finnmark.

The northernmost stations, near the outlet of the Deatnu/Tana river in East Finnmark, are situated at about 70°29' N (Norman 1901:467, Dahl 1934:396).

The map in Hulten & Fries (1986a:858) shows several other stations at about the same latitude in Siberia and North America.

## ECOLOGY

Like other members of the genus, *P. villosa* grows in moist habitats; a necessity for plants using water for their fluid, insect-trapping secretions (Casper 1966:38 & 40, Legendre 2000:91); but *P. villosa* is much more vulnerable to desiccation than the other Nordic species, i.e. *P. alpina* and *P. vulgaris* (Heide 1912:470, Casper 1962:45).

In North Norway, *P. villosa* is mostly found on *Sphagnum* hummocks (Sommerfeldt 1799:119, Wahlberg 1812:180, Zetterstedt 1822:159, Warming 1886:28, Dahl 1934:386, Benum 1958:346, Sivertsen 1976:34, Alm & Pirainen 1997:51 & 60), in particular on *Sphagnum fuscum* (Lagerberg *et al.* 1957:185, Bråthen 1973:80, Vorren 1979b:69, Engelsen 1984:129, Engelsen & Skille 1995:167), but also associated with other *Sphagnum* species, e.g. *S. angustifolium* and *S. nemoreum* (Vorren 1979b:177). It is mainly found on ombrotrophic mires. Palsa bogs are a preferred habitat (Vorren 1979b, Engelsen & Skille 1995:167), pH is 'low'; Vorren (1979b:92) found an average pH of 4 in water squeezed out of turf from ombrotrophic *Sphagnum fuscum* and *S. nemoreum* communities at Neiden (Færdesmyra) in Sør-Varanger, East Finnmark.

Seedlings and "stray" plants may occur in a wider variety of habitats (cf. Søyriink 1939:363). Towards the coast, *P. villosa* may sometimes grow on intermediate to rich fens, but it is still usually associated with *Sphagnum* stands.

Thus, *P. villosa* typically grows in an extremely nutrient-poor environment. To some extent, the lack of nutrients in the substrate may be compensated by trapping small insects (cf. Casper 1966:37-38, Heslop-Harrison & Heslop-Harrison 1980, 1981, Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971, Legendre 2000:86ff).

Studies of other *Pinguicula* species (including *P. vulgaris*) have clarified biochemical (Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971, Heslop-Harrison & Heslop-Harrison 1980, 1981) and anatomical (Heslop-Harrison & Heslop-Harrison 1981) aspects of the insect trapping process. The prey is dissolved by a viscous fluid containing various acid hydrolases, including proteases, carboxylases, esterases, nucleases and phosphatases (Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971:192f, Heslop-Harrison & Heslop-Harrison 1980:729). The enzymes are stored in lysosome-like vacuoles, and are abundantly present in the spongy wall of the gland cells (Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971:209).

Enzyme secretion starts rapidly, within 40 minutes according to Darwin (1875), who used meat to trigger the process, somewhat later with natural prey (Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971:199). Digestion products are entering the leaf within 2 hours (Heslop-Harrison & Knox 1971:189-190).

Trapping may not be very effective in *P. villosa*. Warming (1886:30) found only a few, small arthropods on the leaves of *P. villosa* in Alta, Finnmark; the catch was described as "very sparse", and much inferior to that of *P. alpina*. In addition, pollen (and perhaps other organic debris) may be dissolved and contribute to the nutrient supply (cf. Harder & Zenlin 1968, Legendre 2000:86).

Pollen could possibly be an important of nutrients for *P. villosa*. Pollen deposition rates on mires in North Norway vary considerably, depending on topography, surrounding vegetation and climate, with large year to year fluctuations

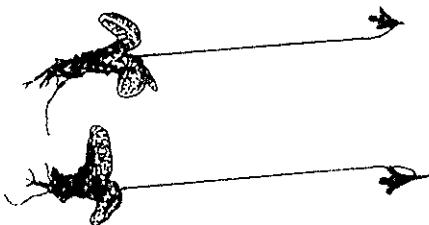


Fig. 2. *Pinguicula villosa*, habitus; specimens from Alta (Gargja). Natural size.

(Alm 1996, Alm *et al.* 1996, Vorren *et al.* 1996), but a minimum supply of at least 500 pollen/cm<sup>2</sup>/year is likely; deposition rates more than 20 times as high (exceeding 10000 pollen/cm<sup>2</sup>/year) may occur in inland areas during favourable years (Alm 1996, Alm *et al.* 1996, Vorren *et al.* 1996, Seppä 1996:35).

**Altitude limit.** In Troms, *P. villosa* is mainly found at middle altitudes. Most stations are in the subalpine areas of the interior mountains, 355 to 550 m a.s.l. The altitude limit for North Norway is 564 m a.s.l. at Coardajåvi in Bardu (Engelsen & Skille 1995:167).

In Finnmark, *P. villosa* is mostly found at low to middle altitudes (Dahl 1934:386), reaching 475 m a.s.l. at the interior plateau, at Åksöluoppal north of Suolovuopmi in Guovdageaidnu/Kautokeino (O).

In interior S Norway, *P. villosa* reaches 1050 m a.s.l. (Elven 1994:560) or perhaps 1100 m a.s.l. (Knaben 1950:147).

**Climatic demands.** Dahl (1998:210) found a correlation between the distribution of *P. villosa* and winter temperature; it is restricted to areas with a mean temperature during the coldest month of  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  or less (calculated for the highest point within  $50 \times 50$  km grid squares).

In a classification of eastern mire plants in Troms, Vorren (1977:13-14) grouped *P. villosa* with *Eriophorum brachyanterum*, *E. x medium*, *E. russeolum*, *Rubus arcticus* and *Salix mytilifolides*. According to his view, their distribution is restricted by the following set of parameters: a July mean temperature of  $12^{\circ}\text{C}$  or higher; a mean January temperature of  $-6^{\circ}\text{C}$  or less; a yearly mean temperature below  $2^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; a yearly mean precipitation of less than 600 mm, and a vegetation period (mean daily temperature  $5^{\circ}\text{C}$  or more) of at least 120 days. *P. villosa* is certainly restricted to interior areas with a stable, cold winter, low precipitation and low annual mean temperatures, but the July mean indicated seems too high. In Finnmark, *P. villosa* thrives at a number of coastal stations with July mean temperatures of about  $11^{\circ}\text{C}$  or lower, though hardly below  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## PHENOLOGY

**Foliage/detoliation.** The plants sprout in June (to early July) and wither in August-September, no detailed observations on dates are available from North Norway.

Warming (1886:27-37) studied the biology of *P. villosa* at Alla (Bossekop), Finnmark, and has given a detailed account. In spring, a fertile plant will produce a rosette with a few leaves, usually three (Warming 1886:27). If the growth rate of the surrounding *Sphagnum* moss carpet is high, the spring rosette may fail to develop (Heide 1912:471-472).

Towards the end of the summer, a hibernating bud is formed at the base of the flowering stalk

(Heide 1912:471, Lagerberg et al. 1957:185). In this bud, the leaves are tightly packed like the scales of an onion (Warming 1886:29). The hibernating bud may be further protected by continued growth of the surrounding *Sphagnum* (Heide 1912:471).

Within the genus *Pinguicula*, there are two main life cycles, a tropical-subtropical growth type, and a temperate growth type (Heide 1912:464 & 474, Casper 1962:9, 1966:11f, Legendre 2000:81). The latter is similar to the growth cycle of *P. villosa* outlined above, except that species growing in areas with a longer growth season will usually also form an autumn rosette, before the hibernating bud is formed.

Thus, Heide (1912:472) added an arctic growth cycle to the general scheme, characterized by the absence of an autumn rosette. It is found both in *P. villosa* and in northern biotypes of some other species, e.g. *P. vulgaris* (Heide 1912:472).

Due to their small size, the leaves of *P. villosa* are more concave than in *P. alpina* and *P. vulgaris*, and the access to the leaf's upper side may be restricted to a narrow slit (Warming 1886:29, Heide 1912:472, Casper 1962:43).

**Flowering.** *P. villosa* may start flowering in mid-June in the interior areas of Troms and Finnmark, and has been collected in full flower at Karášohka/Karásjok on 18 June 1963 (B. Mathiesen, TROM). The main flowering is in July throughout the area (cf. Schübeler 1886:129), lasting into the first days of August (to 11 August according to herbarium specimens). Söyriñki (1939:363) reported similar dates from Pechnenga (Russia), just E of Finnmark, i.e. a main flowering period in July, lasting into mid-August in subalpine sites.

Flowering has been recorded at almost all known stations in North Norway. Sterile specimens may occur in unfavourable habitats. Söyriñki (1939:363) reported abundant flowering in

adjacent Pechnenga. Still, each plant produces only a single flowering stem (Warming 1886:29), whereas e.g. *P. vulgaris* may have numerous stems.

No data on pollination are available from Fennoscandia. Warming (1886:31) supposed *P. villosa* to be largely self-pollinated (see also Heide 1912:475). Contrary to the flowers of *P. alpina* and *P. vulgaris*, the structure of the flower in *P. villosa* does not preclude self-pollination (Warming 1886:30, Heide 1912:474, Casper 1966:40). According to Lagerberg et al. (1957:185), the flowers attract some small flies (Diptera), which may pollinate them.

The pollen is very viable, and pollen tubes may form in any part of the flower (Warming 1886:5, Heide 1912:74).

**Fruiting.** Capsules develop from the last days of July (27 July) onwards. Capsules and seeds ripen towards the end of August (28 August). This is in accordance with the observations made by Söyriñki (1939:363) in the Pechnenga area (Russia) just E of Finnmark, where the time from the end of flowering to ripe seeds was found to be about 33 days.

Seeds will probably ripen in most years in both Troms and Finnmark, as was also the case in Pechnenga (Söyriñki 1939:363).

**Dispersal.** Dispersal is by seeds only; vegetative reproduction is not known in *P. villosa* (Warming 1886:28, Söyriñki 1939:364).

Size. Norman (1900:467) recorded specimens ranging from 5.5 to 9 cm in North Norway, but the herbarium specimens in TROM show a greater range, from 2.8 to 10.8 cm for flowering specimens; most specimens measure between 3.5 and 7.0 cm.

## HISTORY

There is hardly any solid evidence of the history of *P. villosa* in North Norway. Pollen of the insect-pollinated *Pinguicula* species rarely turn up as more than single, "stray" grains in pollen analysis, and can only be identified to genus level. No macrofossils have been reported, although the typical growth site of *P. villosa* might favour preservation e.g. of the dried-out stalks.

The areas now inhabited by *P. villosa* in North Norway were deglaciated during the last part of the Late Weichselian and the early Holocene. Suitable habitats may have been available in the early Holocene (cf. Vorren 1972, Vorren & Vorren 1976, Göthlich et al. 1983, Alm et al. 1996, Moe et al. 1996, Vorren et al. 1996).

On present phytogeographical grounds, *P. villosa* is likely to have immigrated to Fennoscandia from the northeast (Lagerberg et al. 1957:186); probably during the early Holocene.

## ETHNOBOTANY

Throughout Norway, *Pinguicula vulgaris* (and probably, to some extent, *P. alpina*) has been frequently used for making *letteemelk*, i.e. a thickened, usually sour milk (Lagerberg et al. 1957:182, Wendelbo 1961, Høeg 1974:489). This practice has been particularly widespread in North Norway (see e.g. Strompdal 1938:73, Rønning 1956:16, Blix 1971:218-219, Alm 1983:392-393). A similar tradition is also known from the other Scandinavian countries (Brandegaard 1961, 1971, Loyd 1995, 1996). *P. villosa* is too tiny to be of much use in this respect.

The effect may partly be due to bacteria rather than any chemical constituents in *Pinguicula* (Christen 1961, Casper 1966:58, Brøndegaard 1971), though if warm milk is sieved through fresh leaves, a jelly-like substance is instantly formed.

## OTHER ASPECTS

*Pinguicula* species are threatened throughout much of their range (Legende 2000). In North Norway, the situation is much better. Both *P. alpina* and *P. vulgaris* occur abundantly, and even the less frequent *P. villosa* is hardly under any foreseeable threat, not least due to its preference for wet peat bogs - hardly an attractive habitat for human use, and one where the actual habitats (the hummocks) may be rather inaccessible.

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