

## Ground Ivy - *Glechoma hederacea*



### Description

Ground ivy is a short plant that, as the name suggests, grows close to the ground. A member of the mint family, the plant is fragrant when crushed. Stems are square shaped and hairy, with heart shaped, round-toothed, green to purple tinged leaves. Purple flowers emerge next to leaves on the stem.

Ground ivy prefers moist, rich, basic soils in woods, in particular W8. The plant can also be found in hedgerows, and can cover areas to form carpets.

### Soil regimes

<b><i>Soil reaction (R)</i></b>	7
<b><i>Nitrogen availability (N)</i></b>	7

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