

# *Ajuga reptans* - Bugle



## **Plant description**

Bugle is a small perennial herb, 10-25cm tall with oppositely arranged oval, shallow-toothed leaves set along a single slightly square stem. Blue spikes of flowers bloom through spring and summer.

## **What does this tell me about my woodland?**

Bugle prefers damp (but not waterlogged) woodlands and slightly acid to neutral soils with lots of organic matter. It grows best where there is a reliable source of moisture and nutrients. It's mat forming growth habit can help to prevent soil erosion in some areas.

**pH** – Neutral to mildly acidic

**Occurs in NVC Communities** – W7, W8, W9, W10, W11