157. CICER Linnaeus, Sp. Pl. 2: 738. 1753.

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Morphological characters and geographic distribution are the same as those of the tribe.

1. Cicer arietinum Linnaeus, Sp. Pl. 2: 738. 1753.

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Herbs annual, 12–80 cm tall. Stem much branched, erect, glandular hairy. Leaves imparipinnate with a terminal leaflet; stipules leaflike, unequal, margin toothed; leaflets 3–8-paired, elliptic, $7-17 \times 3-10$ mm, glandular hairy, margin dentate at least in distal half. Raceme 1- or 2-flowered; pedicels 5–25 mm. Calyx campanulate, deeply toothed, glandular hairy. Corolla white, light blue, or purple-red, 8–10 mm, glandular hairy. Legume pendulous, inflated, ovate in outline, $(1.5-)2-3.5 \times 1-1.7$ cm, 1–4-seeded, pubescent and glandular hairy. Seeds 5–15 × 5–10 mm. Fl. Jun–Jul, fr. Aug–Sep. 2n = 16.

Cultivated as a crop; 2000–2700 m. Gansu, Hebei, Nei Mongol, Qinghai, Shaanxi, Shandong, Shanxi, Taiwan, Xinjiang [widely cultivated elsewhere; of cultivated origin].

Cicer arietinum was possibly derived from *C. reticulatum* Ladizinsky in Neolithic SE Turkey (Mabberley, Plant-Book, ed. 3, 187. 2008).

The seeds are edible (chick peas, garbanzo beans).

2. Cicer microphyllum Royle ex Bentham in Royle, Ill. Bot. Himal. Mts. 200. 1835.

Cicer jacquemontii Jaubert & Spach.

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Herbs annual, 15–40 cm tall. Stem much branched, erect, glandular hairy. Leaves paripinnate with a terminal tendril; stipules leaflike, glandular hairy, margin 5–7-toothed; leaflets 6–15-paired, obovate-cuneate, $4-12 \times 3-7$ mm, both surface glandular hairy, margin dentate only in distal half, apex mucronate. Flower solitary; pedicel 5–25 mm, glandular hairy. Calyx ca. 12 mm, deeply toothed, densely glandular hairy. Corolla bluepurple or light blue, ca. 25 mm. Legume elliptic in outline, 2.5–3.5 cm, densely white pubescent. Seeds ca. 2.5 mm. 2n = 16.

Hill slopes, meadows on sunny slopes, riverbanks, gravels, sands; 1600–4600 m. Xinjiang, W Xizang [E Afghanistan, N India (Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh), Kashmir, W Nepal, N Pakistan].

The name *Cicer songaricum* Stephan ex Candolle (Prodr. 2: 354. 1825) has been misapplied to this species by some authors (e.g., Baker in Hooker, Fl. Brit. India 2: 176. 1876). Chang Y. Yang (Claves Pl. Xinjiang. 3: 187. 1985) recorded both *C. jacquemontii* (i.e., *C. microphyllum*) and *C. songaricum* from Xinjiang. However, the present authors found no relevant specimens and therefore could not substantiate the occurrence in China of true *C. songaricum*, which is distributed in E Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Russia (Altai), Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan and is very similar morphologically to *C. microphyllum*.