Environment & Society Portal

Multimedia Library Collection: Periodicals

"Storying Salicornia: Cuisines, Coastlines and Salty Futures in Europe"

Antonova, Anna S., and L. Sasha Gora

Antonova, Anna S., and L. Sasha Gora. "Storying Salicornia: Cuisines, Coastlines and Salty Futures in Europe." *Plant Perspectives* 3, no. 3 (2026). https://doi.org/10.3197/WHPPP.63876246815944 .

This article focuses on the cultural lives of the saline plant Salicornia and its entanglement with cuisines, nature conservation and market dynamics across European coastlines. A succulent native to salt marshes, beaches and other brackish ecosystems, salicornia has a long history of being foraged; throughout the 2010s and early 2020s, it has evolved into a gourmet ingredient, resulting in its commercial cultivation. Yet the plant's growth, harvesting and commercial availability are all threaded through with complex interrelations between coastal communities, their environments and their envisioned futures. Using case studies from culinary nature conservation and climate justice activism in Venice, Italy, and Burgas, Bulgaria, we show how salicornia comes to embody the strategies communities employ to affirm and uphold their stakes in their coastal wetland landscapes. In this way, our own rendition of salicornia offers a fusion of blue humanities, food cultural history and both critical plant and conservation studies. (Abstract)

© 2026 Anna S. Antonova and L. Sasha Gora

This work is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License .

Download:
Download full article https://www.environmentandsociety.org/sites/default/files/key_docs/pp-online-antonova-gora.pdf

Related links:

- Article on *Plant Perspectives*
  https://www.whp-journals.co.uk/PP/article/view/2742
- *Plant Perspectives*
  https://www.whp-journals.co.uk/PP/index

Periodicals Collection, Multimedia Library, Environment & Society Portal
"Storying Salicornia: Cuisines, Coastlines and Salty Futures in Europe"
Source URL: http://www.environmentandsociety.org/node/10198
Print date: 24 November 2026 17:24:54

Websites linked in this text:

- https://doi.org/10.3197/WHPPP.63876246815944

Periodicals Collection, Multimedia Library, Environment & Society Portal
"Storying Salicornia: Cuisines, Coastlines and Salty Futures in Europe"
Source URL: http://www.environmentandsociety.org/node/10198
Print date: 24 November 2026 17:24:54