

**Table S1.** Overall characterization of the study sites, in terms of the climatological normal, topography, forest stand characteristics and weather variables for the first 2 years after fire occurrence (prior sampling). Meteorological characterization of the three populations, segmented by the first (Nov 2017-Oct 2018) and second (Nov 2018- Oct 2019), hydrological years after fire, reflecting the conditions of pine natural regeneration.

<b>Climatological normal</b>		<b>Mira</b>	<b>Tocha</b>	<b>Leiria</b>
̄x annual prec. (mm)		845	945	790
̄x temp. (°C)		13.3	15.5	15.9
<b>Topography</b>		<b>Condition<sup>[1]</sup></b>		
Elevation a.s.l (m)		U B	29.2±5 21.3±15.7	57.2±21.2 50±10
Distance to sea (m)		U B	2011±425.3 4408±1179.2	3191±349.4 3715±564.8
<b>Stand characteristics</b>				
Tree density (trees·m <sup>-2</sup> )		U B	977.6±351 1807.0±555.5	1007.2±383.9 2192.0±671.4
Tree age (years)		U B	41.3±8.1 39.7±8.6	46.9±6.2 36.7±11.9
<b>2 years "regeneration" weather</b>				
<b>Precipitation (mm)</b>		<b>Year</b>		
̄x annual		2018 2019	1115 960	1082 832
Σ Spring		2018 2019	489.3 271.6	479 125
Σ Summer		2018 2019	129.1 69	249 67.2
<b>Temperature (°C)</b>				
̄x annual		2018 2019	15.3 15.6	15.2 15.5
Max		2018 2019	39.9 34.9	40.5 35.4
<b>Aridity</b>				
Max. days no rain		2018 2019	98 30	98 30
Max. days temp. ≥35°C		2018 2019	9 4	9 3
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<sup>[1]</sup> U: unburnt sites. B: burnt sites.

**Table S2.** Characterization of the native and invasive plants on the three locations (Mira, Tocha, and Leiria) in both unburnt (U) and burnt (B) conditions. Different letters indicate statistically significant differences ( $p<0.05$ ) between each combination of populations  $\times$  condition, for each of the studied variables. Values presented are mean  $\pm$  standard deviation.

	Condition <sup>[1]</sup>	Mira	Tocha	Leiria
<b>Native plants</b>				
Total cover (%)	U	19 $\pm$ 13(b)	41 $\pm$ 17(b)	30 $\pm$ 18(b)
	B	33 $\pm$ 8(c)	19 $\pm$ 16(c)	81 $\pm$ 15(a)
Woody cover (%)	U	16 $\pm$ 15(b)	35 $\pm$ 22(b)	21 $\pm$ 21(b)
	B	20 $\pm$ 12(b)	15 $\pm$ 12(b)	77 $\pm$ 1(a)
Herbaceous cover (%)	U	3 $\pm$ 5(a)	2 $\pm$ 2(a)	8 $\pm$ 8(a)
	B	13 $\pm$ 12(a)	4 $\pm$ 7(a)	3 $\pm$ 3(a)
Height (cm)	U	113.3 $\pm$ 12.5(b)	60.4 $\pm$ 37.4(ab)	52.8 $\pm$ 30.5(a)
	B	35.2 $\pm$ 8.6(a)	45.1 $\pm$ 14(a)	55.3 $\pm$ 20(a)
<b>Invasive plants</b>				
Total cover (%)	U	26 $\pm$ 20(a)	1 $\pm$ 1(b)	10 $\pm$ 8(ab)
	B	17 $\pm$ 11(a)	15 $\pm$ 13(a)	7 $\pm$ 3(a)
Woody cover (%)	U	6 $\pm$ 10(b)	0 $\pm$ 0(b)	0 $\pm$ 0(b)
	B	12 $\pm$ 6(ab)	8 $\pm$ 8(a)	4 $\pm$ 4(ab)
Herbaceous cover (%)	U	20 $\pm$ 13(b)	1 $\pm$ 1(c)	10 $\pm$ 7 (bc)
	B	5 $\pm$ 7(a)	7 $\pm$ 6(a)	3 $\pm$ 2(a)
Height (cm)	U	120 $\pm$ 157.8(ab)	67.5 $\pm$ 75.4(ab)	50 $\pm$ 15.4(b)
	B	29.5 $\pm$ 16.9(a)	32.9 $\pm$ 11.8(a)	27.5 $\pm$ 16.2(a)

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