

# Crocus goulimyi goulimyi

Flowering Time	Autumn
Distribution	S Greece (Mani peninsula, Peloponnese)
Native Climate	Mediterranean
Wild Habitat	Dry places over limestone. (Especially old/neglected olive and fig groves)
Distinctive Features	Long tubed lilac flowers. Coriaceous corm tunic
Closest Relatives	<a href="#">Crocus goulimyi leucanthus</a>
Cultivation Requirements	Warm, well drained soil. Dry summer rest best. (This species is grown outside in some UK gardens but is more likely to thrive given some protection)
Availability	Widely available from specialist bulb suppliers

The two subspecies of *Crocus goulimyi* represent populations from different parts of the Peloponnese. The principal difference is in flower colour, subspecies *goulimyi* being primarily lilac while subspecies *leucanthus* is white or very pale lilac. The cultivar 'Mani White' pictured below is a clone of subspecies *goulimyi* which arose in cultivation and has proved as vigorous and easy to propagate as the lilac forms.



