

Crocus hadriaticus parnonicus

Flowering Time	Autumn
Distribution	S Greece (SE Peloponnese)
Native Climate	Mediterranean
Wild Habitat	Grassy places and thin scrub on stony slopes
Distinctive Features	Lilac flower <i>without</i> yellow throat. Corm tunic fine netted fibres
Closest Relatives	Crocus hadriaticus parnassicus; Crocus hadriaticus hadriaticus; Crocus thomasii; Crocus cartwrightianus
Cultivation Requirements	Protection advised in areas with cool, wet Summer or severe cold winter. Grown outside in Southern UK gardens given a sunny spot and well drained soil
Availability	?Available from specialist bulb suppliers

The name *Crocus hadriaticus parnonicus* has been given (by Brian Mathew) to the lilac form of *C hadriaticus* without a yellow throat found on/around Mt Parnon.

I think this is it - the slight yellow glow in the throat is mostly reflected from the pollen.



See *Crocus hadriaticus hadriaticus* for a discussion of the different subspecies.



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