Crocus nudiflorus

Flowering Time Autumn

Distribution SW France; N & E Spain

Native Climate Warm summer (with rain from storms). Cool moist

winter

Wild Habitat Moist meadows up to 2000m

Distinctive Features Long tubed purple flower. Corm tunic papery

becoming fibrous with age. Produces stolons

Closest Relatives Crocus serotinus ssp salzmanni

Cultivation Requirements Well drained position in soil that does not dry out

completely in summer. Naturalised in a number of

places in the UK

Availability Widely available from specialist bulb suppliers. Easily

raised from seed sometimes available in

specialist/society lists

Flowering before the leaves, this is a good plant for growing in grass, there is a good display each autumn in the alpine lawn at the <u>Royal Horticultural Society gardens at Wisley</u>, (UK). The flowers stand up to the weather much better than the widely available <u>Crocus speciosus</u>.





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