

Crocus danfordiae

Flowering Time Spring

Distribution Central and Southern Turkey

Native Climate Summer dry montane with some Mediterranean influences.

Wild Habitat Rocky slopes and in scrub or thin pinewoods

Distinctive Features Small, very pale flowers. (White, pale yellow or pale blue). [Coriaceous corm tunic](#) with basal rings

Closest Relatives [Crocus biflorus](#); [Crocus chrysanthus](#)

Cultivation Requirements Warm, dry summer rest ideal. Best with winter protection as its flowers are small and delicate

Availability Specialist bulb suppliers

A member of series Biflori, sharing very similar corm tunics. This is probably the smallest flowered species. The flower petals are usually between 1 and 1.5cm long. It is also distinctive in having very pale coloured flowers.





C. danfordiae in the wild- pictures from Janis Ruksans

This blue form of *Crocus danfordiae*- below fits the description of a new species (*Crocus minutus*) described in July 2011. It has dark markings.

