Crocus cancellatus cancellatus

Flowering Time	Autumn
Distribution	S Turkey; Lebanon; N Israel; ?Jordan
Native Climate	Cold winter, warm dry summer
Wild Habitat	Stony places, thin pinewoods, over limestone
Distinctive Features	Finely netted corm tunic, Much divided style which
	exceeds the anthers
Closest Relatives	Crocus cancellatus mazziaricus;
	Crocus cancellatus damascenus;
	Crocus cancellatus lycius;
	Crocus cancellatus pamphyllicus
Cultivation Requirements	Warm dry summer rest
Availability	Specialist bulb suppliers

The different subspecies of Crocus cancellatus can be difficult to tell apart. The ability to discern a bract (and bracteole) can be necessary. Follow the link to <u>Crocus cancellatus mazziaricus</u> to learn more.

This is probably the easiest subspecies of Crocus cancellatus to cultivate in gardens although 'garden' should be taken to include 'with protection' in some situations. Where a warm, dryish summer rest can be guaranteed this plant can be grown in a well drained spot in the open. A plant sometimes seen in commerce as Crocus cancellatus var cilicicus is this subspecies.



