

Crocus cancellatus damascenus

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| Flowering Time | Autumn |
| Distribution | Central Turkey east to parts of Iran and Iraq and south through Syria, Lebanon, Israel and Jordan |
| Native Climate | Dry Mediterranean (Likely long, hot summer) |
| Wild Habitat | Dry, stony places, thin scrub |
| Distinctive Features | Very coarsely netted tunic. Bracteole not usually visible above cataphyll |
| Closest Relatives | Crocus cancellatus cancellatus ; Crocus cancellatus mazziaricus ; Crocus cancellatus lycius ; Crocus cancellatus pamphylicus |
| Cultivation Requirements | Dry, warm summer rest essential. Winter protection advised away from native regions |
| Availability | Sometimes offered in specialist seed lists |

With its variable flower colour (almost white to mid lilac, sometimes feathered on outers) this can be difficult to tell apart from subspecies cancellatus and subspecies mazziaricus. Comparison of the corm tunics is helpful along with the observation (or not) of [the bracteole](#). The corm tunic of this subspecies has a more open netting than the other subspecies. (See picture below.)



