

Crocus cancellatus lycius

Flowering Time	Late autumn
Distribution	S Turkey
Native Climate	Mediterranean
Wild Habitat	Rocky places over limestone
Distinctive Features	White flowers, netted corm tunic
Closest Relatives	Crocus cancellatus mazziaricus ; Crocus cancellatus damascenus ; Crocus cancellatus cancellatus Crocus cancellatus pamphylicus
Cultivation Requirements	Warm, dry summer rest. Winter protection away from native region
Availability	Occasionally in specialist seed lists

The only consistently white flowered subspecies, often a distinctive creamy white, the many orange style branches are a conspicuous feature. These features combined with the netted tunic common to all subspecies of *Crocus cancellatus* make this one of the easier subspecies to identify.



Corm tunic – compare with subspecies *damascenus* which has much less finely netted tunics.