

Crocus olivieri istanbulensis

Flowering Time	Spring
Distribution	NW Turkey
Native Climate	Cold moist winter, warm dryish summer
Wild Habitat	Dryish places in scrub
Distinctive Features	Orange yellow flower, style divides into 6 branches. Corm tunic coarse fibres
Closest Relatives	Crocus olivieri olivieri ; Crocus olivieri balansae ; Crocus flavus ; Crocus graveolens ; Crocus vitellinus
Cultivation Requirements	Cool moist winter. Warm dryish summer rest. (Probably best given winter protection in UK gardens)
Availability	Specialist bulb suppliers

