## Crocus pallasii haussknechtii

Flowering Time	Autumn
Distribution	W Iran; NE Iraq; S Jordan
Native Climate	Cold winter, hot dry summer
Wild Habitat	Dry or rocky places or in thin scrub
<b>Distinctive Features</b>	Flower shades of lilac, often veined darker. Corm tunic
	finely netted fibres with long fibrous neck
Closest Relatives	<u>Crocus pallasii pallasii;</u>
	Crocus pallasii dispathaceus;
	Crocus pallasii turcicus
Cultivation Requirements	Protection advised away from native region. Long
	warm dry summer rest required
Availability	Rarely available in specialist seed lists

In <u>some forms</u> the flowers have good shape and substance, with overlapping petals. This is not typical of Crocus pallasii as a whole, which often has narrow petalled flowers of no horticultural merit. Unfortunately this is not the easiest form to cultivate, requiring plenty of sun during the winter months and a long, hot, dry rest to ensure strong, flowering stock.



