Crocus pallasii haussknechtii

| Flowering Time | Autumn |
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| Distribution | W Iran; NE Iraq; S Jordan |
| Native Climate | Cold winter, hot dry summer |
| Wild Habitat | Dry or rocky places or in thin scrub |
| Distinctive Features | 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.



