## **Crocus sieberi nivalis**

Flowering Time Spring

Distribution Greece (S Peloponnese)

Native Climate Montane Mediterranean (Winter snow cover)

Wild Habitat Short mountain turf

Distinctive Features Flower lilac blue. Corm tunic finely netted fibres

Closest Relatives Crocus sieberi atticus

<u>Crocus sieberi sublimis</u> <u>Crocus sieberi sieberi</u>

Cultivation Requirements Tolerant of summer moisture in well drained soil

Availability Specialist bulb suppliers

Distinguished from subspecies atticus and sublimis by the absence of hairs in the throat of the flower and by its fine fibrous netted tunic. Along with subspecies sublimis it is a plant of high mountains, often flowering near melting snow. Subspecies atticus and sieberi are plants of lower altitudes.



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