

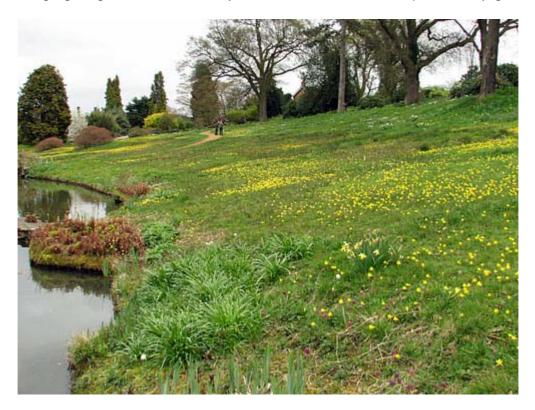
Wisley's Alpine Log

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With little time to write this week, this log is going to be mainly a photographic one showing some of the things giving their best recently. The Meadow has been particularly good this year:



The numbers of Narcissus bulbocodium seem to have increased year on year.



There are many other bulbs in the meadow including Fritillaria meleagris:



Other things outside that have been superb include the Sanguinaria Canadensis Multiplex:



In our woodland area we planted 5000 *Erythronium* 'Pagoda' last autumn. These are now in full bloom, carpeting the floor





We also planted a few 'White Beauty just to break up the yellow occasdionally. Unfortunately, many of this variety failed to grow.

We chose Pagoda simply because it is the least expensive *Erythronium* you can buy – we buy direct from a Dutch wholesaler and when buying like this in bulk we got a price of 160 Euros per 1000.



The Primulas have also been exceptional this year. This is a group of 'Theodora' with *Narcissus cyclamineus:*



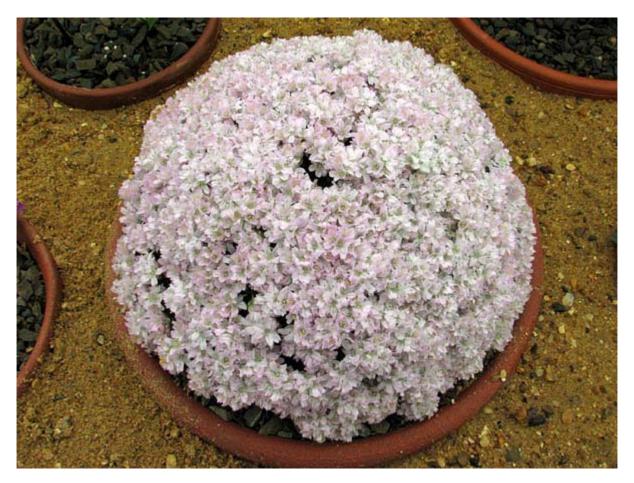
One a raised bed, Iberis pruitii Candelova Group is covered in bloom:



Finally a few things looking good in pots. First, Fritillaria drenovskyi:



Armeria juniperifolia (dwarf form):



Finally the remarkable flowers of *Ferraria undulata* from South Africa:

