

DESCRIPTION

Perennial with a large tuber and heart-shaped, marbled leaves. Flowers fragrant, white or pink with a darker basal zone.

HABITAT

Pinus woodland, maquis, rocky slopes with phrygana or edges of olive groves. Usually on limestone.

DISTRIBUTION

From the East Aegean Islands southwards to Jordan and also Algeria and Tunisia on the west.





DANGER

Tuber collection for private gardening purposes and commercial exploitation by local and foreign nurseries, trade of live tubers, tourism.

PROTECTION

CITES Washington Convention - Annex II. EU regulation of trade of fauna and flora - Annex B.

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