

The French Daffodil

- The French Daffodil's lifecycle is perennial.
- Its habitat is in the garique (especially if with considerable amount of soil), uncultivated fields and valleys.
- It is frequent.
- The French Daffodil is found commonly in most valleys and sheltered or damp garique as at Mistra, Wied Encita, Mellieha, Siggiewi(Lapsi), Wardija, Qrendi and most of Gozo.
- Its height is 25-75 cm.
- The flowering period is between November and March.
- An interesting characteristic is a white sheath with longitudinal green veins around the base of the leaves just at soil level. It can reach height of 2cm.
- The flowers have pedicels(stalklets) of unequal length between 1cm to 5cm. The inferior ovary is connected to the drooping end of the pedicels, followed by a light green tube about 1.5cm long and finally the perianth itself.



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