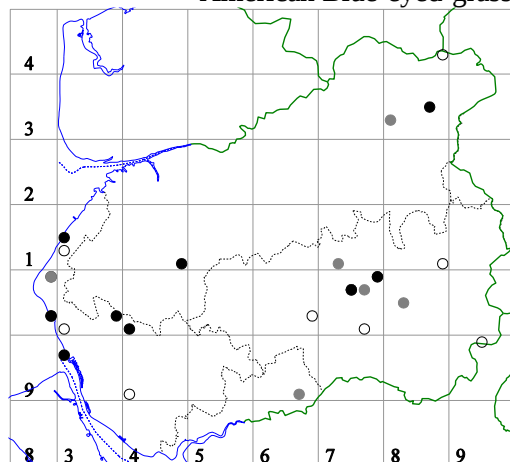


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Iris family

Sisyrinchium montanum E. Greene American Blue-eyed-grass



Nob End J Somerville 2008

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely scattered.
Earliest record traced: Ashton-under-Lyne (SJ99P, A Harris, 1911).
Habitat: Waste ground, tips, alkaline waste tips, sand-dunes and areas where garden refuse is disposed of.
Comments: Native to America. Records for *S. bermudiana* L. are thought to belong here.

Sisyrinchium californicum (Ker Gawler) Dryander Yellow-eyed-grass

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; (SD73, Anon., 1963); Orrell Water Park (SD5303, D Nash, 1998); Birkdale Green Beach (SD3014, 2001 & SD3013, 2009, PH Smith).

Habitat: Established on developing saltmarsh.

Comments: Native to America.

Sisyrinchium striatum Sm.

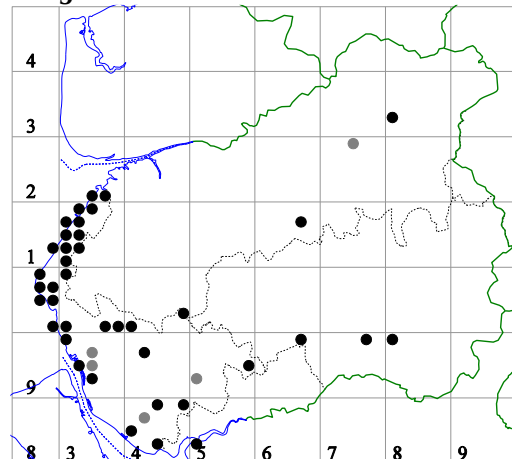
Pale Yellow-eyed-grass

Status & distribution: Neophyte-casual; Reddish Vale Butterfly Park (SJ9093, E Kearns, 1999).

Habitat: Planted or sown wildflower area.

Comments: Native to South America.

Iris germanica L. Bearded Iris



Marshside DP Earl 2008

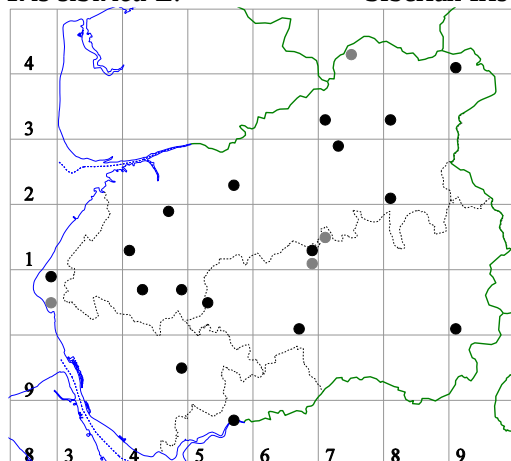
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; well established as isolated clumps along the coast from Ainsdale to Crossens, occasionally inland; usually occurring near to habitation.

Earliest record traced: Woolton quarries (SJ4287, T Eccles, 1978).

Habitat: Wet meadows, waste ground, roadsides, railway banks, sand-dunes and tips.

Comments: Thought to be of horticultural origin, numerous varieties are naturalised.

Iris sibirica L. Siberian Iris



Lowerhouses DP Earl 2008

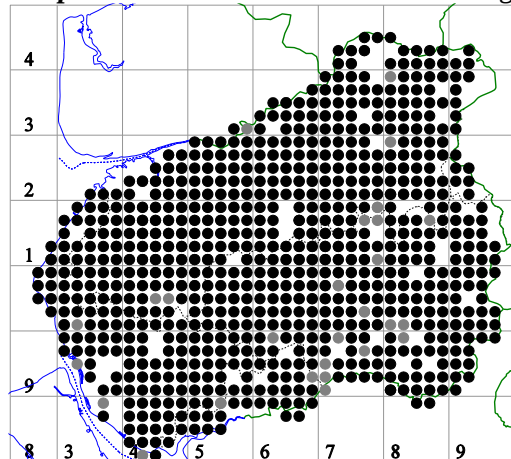
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; occasionally established as isolated clumps.

Earliest record traced: North of Clitheroe (SD74L, M Wison, 1985, det. TF Medd).

Habitat: Wet meadows, roadsides and waste ground.

Comments: Native to Central Europe and South Asia.

Iris pseudacorus L. Yellow Flag



Birkdale DP Earl 2008

Status & distribution: Native, Least Concern (Red List for England); generally common and widespread, scarce in some urban areas and about the reclaimed marshes of the Ribble Estuary.

Habitat: Ponds, pools, ox-bows, swamps, flashes, canals and marshy ground.

Iris versicolor L. Purple Iris

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; Woolton quarries (SJ4287, T Eccles, 1978); Breighmet, Bolton (SD71F, J Wood & PMA Francis, 1987); Clark Hill (SD7436, Anon@LERN, 1988); Foulridge Lower Reservoir (SD84V, S Thomas, 1988); Dungeon Bay (SJ4582, S Fletcher, 2010).

Habitat: Amongst grass at base of clay cliff; pond and reservoir margins.

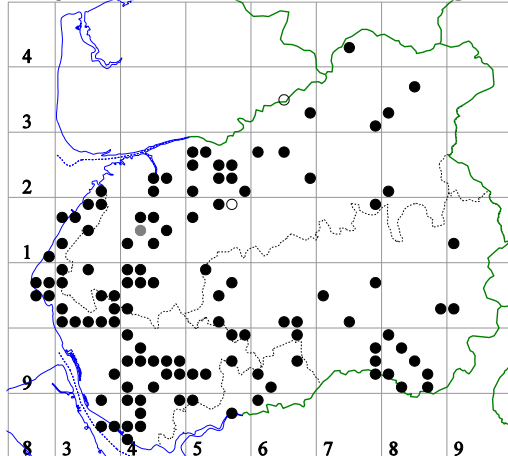
Comments: Native to America.

Iris spuria L. Blue Iris

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; Toothill Bridge, Bolton (SD7309, J Anderton, 1997, Bolton Museum Dataset).

Comments: Native to mainland Europe.

Iris foetidissima L. Stinking Iris



Lostock Hall DP Earl 2020

Status & distribution: Naturalised in South Lancashire; becoming widely established and increasing from seed.

Earliest record traced: Whinney Lane Euxton (SD51U, *Flora of Preston* 1865).

Habitat: In woods, shaded banks, scrub and planted areas.

Comments: Numerous recent records indicate that this species has been introduced with planting schemes.

Iris x *hollandica* hort. = *I. xiphium* Boiss. x *I. tingitana* Boiss. & Reuter Dutch Iris

Status & distribution: Neophyte-casual; Littleborough (SD91N, DP Earl, 1994); along the Marine Drive, Crossens (SD32Q, DP & J Earl, 1997).

Habitat: Disturbed ground where tipping of soil or garden waste has occurred.

Comments: Of horticultural origin.

Crocus vernus (L.) Hill agg.

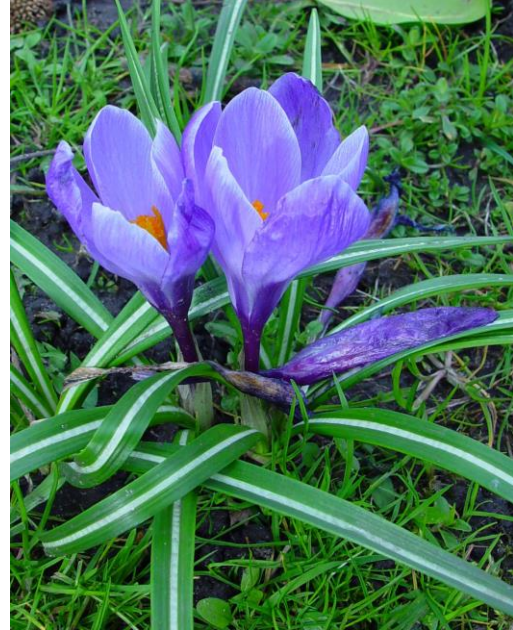
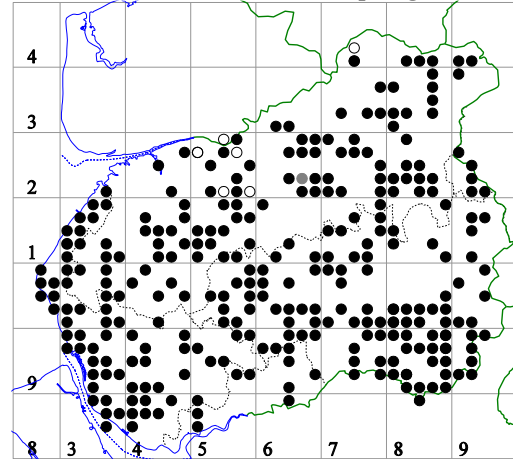
Spring-Crocuses

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widespread.

Habitat: Cemeteries, lawns, roadside verges, waste ground and land adjoining gardens.

Comments: Numerous cultivars are frequently planted in parks and gardens as well as persisting as garden outcasts at several locations.

Crocus neapolitanus (Ker Gawl.) Loisel Spring Crocus



Sefton Park DP Earl 2008



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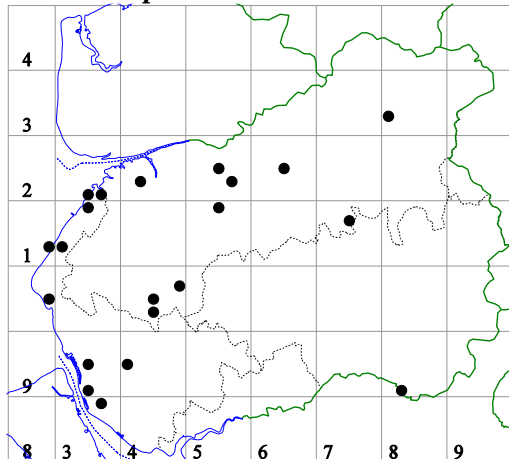
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely established.

Earliest record traced: Gorton, Manchester (SJ89Z, 1808).

Habitat: Planted beneath trees, in amenity grassland, lawns, cemeteries and established on sand dunes.

Comments: Native to Italy.

Crocus neapolitanus* x *C. tommasinianus



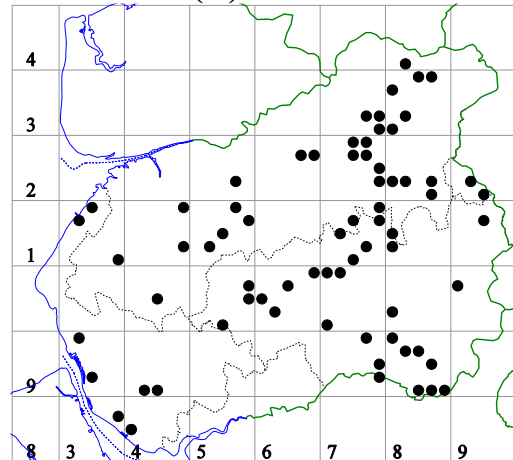
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely established.

Earliest record traced: Bickerstaffe churchyard (SD4404, DP Earl, 2002).

Habitat: Planted beneath trees, in amenity grassland, lawns, cemeteries and established on sand dunes.

Comments: Thought to be of horticultural origin.

***Crocus vernus* (L.) Hill** **White Crocus**



Worden Park DP Earl 2020

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely established.

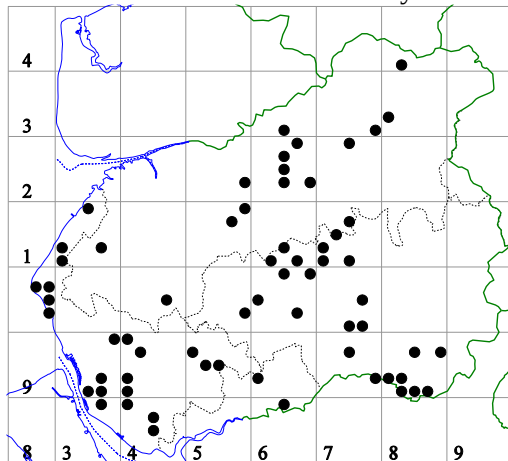
Earliest record traced: Southport (SD3317, DP & J Earl, 2010).

Habitat: Planted beneath trees, in amenity grassland, lawns, cemeteries and established on sand dunes.

Comments: Native to southern Europe.

***Crocus tommasinianus* Herbert**

Early Crocus



Southport DP Earl 2008

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised.

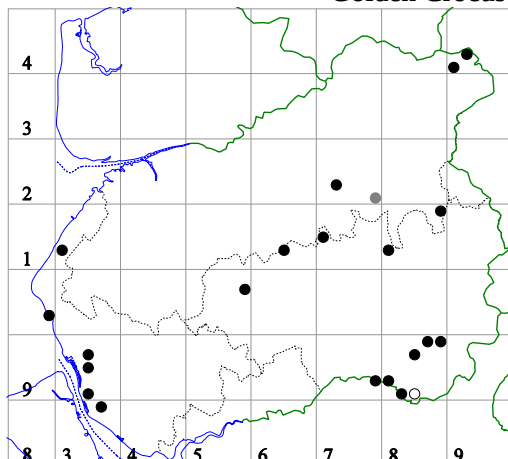
Earliest record traced: Sunnyhurst Woods (SD6823, P Jepson, 1999).

Habitat: Planted beneath trees, in amenity grassland, lawns, cemeteries and established on sand dunes.

Comments: Native to south-eastern Europe.

***Crocus chrysanthus* (Herb.) Herb.**

Golden Crocus



Phillips Park, Manchester DP Earl 2009

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely established.

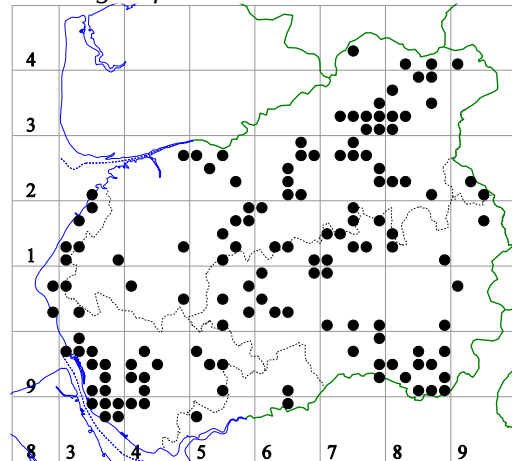
Earliest record traced: Fletcher Moss (SJ8391, c. 1959 communicated D Pearman & B Fox, 1961).

Habitat: Amenity grasslands and cemeteries.

Comments: Native to Turkey and the Balkan region.

***Crocus x luteus* Lam. = *C. flavus* Weston**

x *C. angustifolius* Weston Yellow Crocus



Astley Park, Chorley DP Earl 2020

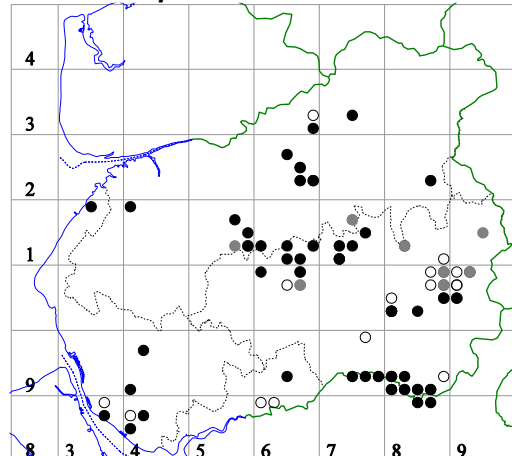
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely planted.

Earliest record traced: Warrington area (W Wilson, 1834, BON) as *Crocus flavus* Weston.

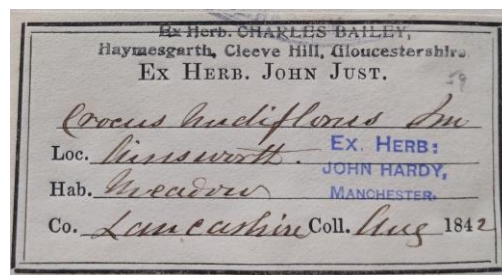
Habitat: Grassy places, lawns, cemeteries and parks.

Comments: Thought to be of horticultural origin.

Crocus nudiflorus Sm. Autumn Crocus



Chorley Cemetery DP Earl 2020



Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; locally abundant in the Mersey Valley to the south of Manchester and on the flanks of the West Pennine Moors; occasional elsewhere.

Earliest records traced: Warrington area (W Wilson, n.d.); field below Prestwich Church (SD80B, T Scholes, 1835).

Habitat: Grassy river embankments, fields, lawns, hedgebanks, grassy places and churchyards.

Comments: Native to France & Spain. Thousands of plants occurred in a field at Edgeworth, but the location was lost to development.

Crocus speciosus M. Bieb.

Bieberstein's Crocus



Bootle DP Earl 2019

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised-casual; banks of the River Mersey, Didsbury (SJ8390, AR Franks, 1997, D Bishop, 2008 & SJ8490, D Nash & MPG Tolfree, 1998); Coast Road, Birkdale (SD3216, PH Smith, 2004); A565 Mere Brow (SD4118, 2010) & Bootle (SJ3494, 2019) DP & J Earl.

Earliest record traced: Near Warrington, (Mr Sowerby, MANCH).



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Habitat: Sand-dunes and grassy riverbanks.

Comments: Native to south-western Asia. An autumn flowering species, rare but perhaps overlooked.

Gladiolus x hortulanus H.L. Bailey

Gladiolus

Status & distribution: Neophyte-surviving; Healey Nab (SD6117, DP Earl, 2015).

Habitat: In a memorial park area within heathland.

Comments: Native to the Mediterranean.

Schizostylis coccinea Backh. & Harv.

Kaffir-lily



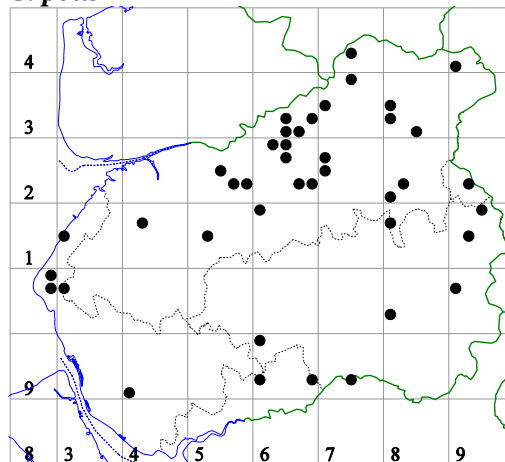
Croston DP Earl 2008

Status & distribution: Neophyte-casual; Croston (SD4818, DP & J Earl, 2007); Astley (SJ7099, P & A Bowdler, 2011) but the plants did not persist.

Habitat: Shaded hedgerow along a village path at Croston and a shaded former colliery lane at Astley.

Comments: Native to Southern Africa.

Crocsmia paniculata (Klatt) Goldblatt x *C. pottsii*



Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widely established.

Earliest records traced: as from Darwen (SD62W, P Jepson, 2002).

Habitat: Roadsides, wood borders, railway banks, disused quarries and dunes usually where garden refuse is disposed of.

Comments: Probably of horticultural origin with CA Stace suggesting this is the commonest member of the Giant Montbretia complex.

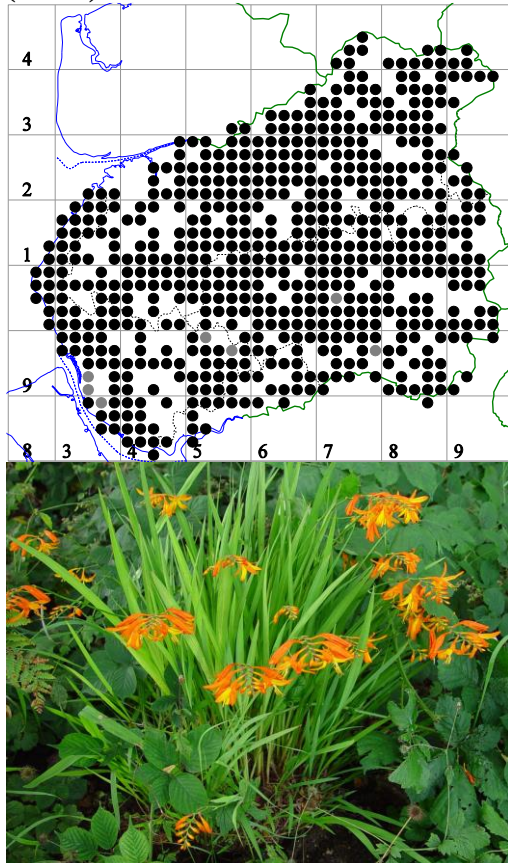
Crocosmia masoniorum (L. Bolus) N.E.
Br. Giant Montbretia

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; Tagg's Island (SD31D, PH Smith & MP Wilcox, 2003 det. E Clement).

Habitat: Sand-dunes.

Comments: Native to South Africa.

Crocosmia* x *crocosmiiflora (Lemoine ex Burb. & Dean) N.E. Br. = *C. pottsii*
(Macnab ex Baker) N.E. Br. x *C. aurea*
(Hook.) Planch. Montbretia



Big Wood, Chorley DP Earl 2009

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised, widespread, usually but not always near habitation.

Earliest record traced: Southport (SD31I, FW Holder, 1931).

Habitat: Roadsides, railway cuttings, waste ground, woods, sand-dunes and tips where corms have been disposed of.

Comments: Of horticultural origin.