

# Bulgaria – Flowers of the Balkans

Naturetrek Tour Report

13th – 20th June 2023



Crested Cow-Wheat – Rhodope Mountains



Red-topped Sage, Rhodope Mountains



Pink species, *Dianthus microlepis*, Pirin Mountain



Spurge Hawkmoth on Glaucous Spurge, Rila Mountain

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## Tour summary

Our mid-summer botanical adventure in southern Bulgaria was a remarkable experience, with breath-taking sights and an extensive array of plant species, many of which are unique to Bulgaria and/or the Balkan region of SE Europe. The middle of June provided the perfect timing for this expedition, as the mountain roads were clear of snow, and the sub-alpine flora was in full bloom. Our journey led us to many high-altitude locations (including some above the treeline), which were notable for the profusion of alpine and sub-alpine flower present. The native spruce, fir and pine forests provided not only a beautiful landscape with rich habitats and flora, but also an opportunity to observe fascinating bird and insect species.

As we traversed through the largely unspoiled countryside, we had the privilege of witnessing the traditional agricultural practices which are still maintained in this region of Europe. Bulgaria's iconic White Storks graced us with their presence, nesting in villages and returning year after year to the same locations. The visit to the renowned Rila Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage site, was an extraordinary experience, and we enjoyed exploring the tranquil villages and towns scattered across the area.

Among the highlights of our tour was the thrilling encounter with the majestic Eurasian Brown Bear at the Bear Sanctuary Belitsa in the Rhodope Mountains, observed from the safety of protective fencing.

## Day 1

**Tuesday 13th June**

Our group assembled at Sofia Airport, arriving from various locations in the UK on synchronized flights. Rain clouds threatened overhead as we made our way up to the Vitosha Mountain National Park, not far south of Sofia. Hungarian Mullein (*Verbascum speciosum*) and Viper's Bugloss (*Echium vulgare*) were in full flower and showy along roadsides in Sofia. The rain precluded much exploration of the National Park during the afternoon, but we enjoyed the Information Centre for Nature Conservation, which gave us a nice introduction to this park, which was designated in 1934 by the then Bulgarian King. A sheltered viewing platform here above the surrounding Sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) forests gave us a first impression of the local habitats. After this, we made our way to the quaint Studena Lodge, where we would stay for the next two nights. After a lovely dinner of local cuisine in the impressive dining room and an update from Rossen and Alexis on the upcoming plans, we took a gentle stroll down the driveway, where we encountered the local flora. These included Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) and the showy relative of our Bush Vetch (*Vicia cracca*), namely, Russian Vetch (*Vicia villosa*). House Martins could be easily viewed nesting under the eaves above our windows, and their calls gave a pleasant feel to this bucolic setting.

## Day 2

**Wednesday 14th June**

The day greeted us with a sunny morning after the rainy previous day. Following breakfast, we set out towards the Golo Bardo Mountain, renowned for its open lime-rich hillside meadow habitats and impressive flora. As we explored the hillsides, we were captivated by the golden-flowered subspecies of Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria* subsp. *aurea*, *Anthyllis aurea*) and other fascinating endemic and local species. These included the Balkan endemic Knapweed species, *Centaurea immanuelis-loewii*, and the bellflower species *Edraianthus* (*Edraianthus serbicus*).

Fascinating plants like the Grecian Foxglove (*Digitalis lanata*), Ground Pine (*Ajuga chamaepitys*) and two Balkan endemic Golden Drop species (*Onosma visianii* and *Onosma taurica*) were abundant here. The smells of the many aromatic plants filled our olfactory senses. Cuckoo and Blackcap were heard in the vicinity, and Scarce Swallowtail was spotted on the wing also.

The quiet village of Bosnek was our next destination, and after a short walk above the village, we were greeted with another extraordinarily rich meadow with Lesser Honeywort (*Cerinth minor*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and yet another bellflower species, *Asyneuma limonifolium*.

We set out our picnic on a quiet riverside location by the Struma River, discovering an interesting mix of riverine and grassland species. Wild Pansy (*Viola tricolor*) was noted by a number of our party flowering abundantly by the river bank, whilst in the grassland nearby, the blood red-flowered Pink species, *Dianthus cruentus*, was observed.

Our final stop of the day was to yet another floriferous meadow, in which Green-winged Orchid (*Anacamptis morio*) is known to occur, but was not visible at the time of visiting, perhaps due to the unusually heavy rains in the spring and early summer which delayed growth of some species in this area. Nonetheless, we were greeted with an array of new species for the trip, including the red-flowered Macedonian Scabious (*Knautia macedonica*), which is a Balkan endemic. On the adjacent roadside, Wild Privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*) was in full flower and wafted its pleasant scent towards us.

On our return from the field trip, we enjoyed another local meal in the dining room of Studena Lodge.

## Day 3

## Thursday 15th June

We departed from the Studena Lodge in the morning, ready for our journey to Rila National Park. On the road towards the Rila Monastery, we stopped to enjoy a lush wet meadow habitat, which provided a contrast to the previous day's dry grassland habitats. Venturing through the tall grasses and sedges, we discovered a few impressive spikes of the Lax-flowered Marsh Orchid (*Anacamptis palustris* subsp. *elegans*). This meadow hosted numerous other captivating species, including Spiny Restharrow (*Ononis spinosa*), Common Hedge-hyssop (*Gratiola officinalis*) and Tubular Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe fistulosa*). The dainty, yellow-flowered Clover species *Trifolium patens* was abundant within the meadow.

Our next destination was the renowned Rila Monastery. As we ascended the mountain road, the weather became cloudier and more humid, and intermittent rain was felt. The deciduous woodland gradually gave way to slopes covered with pine and spruce. Wild Boar and White Stork were noted from the bus by some of our group in fields along the roadway. Finally, we arrived at the magnificent Rila Monastery, where breath-taking views surrounded us. The monastery itself featured captivating murals and carvings on its buildings, as well as drinking fountains of fresh mountain water which turned out to be a frequent feature of the Bulgarian mountain regions. Local birds were dissuaded from entering the monastery by a raptor recording which was intermittently played over a loud speaker. Nonetheless, Nightingales were heard calling nearby. By a mountain stream just outside the monastery walls, the large leaves of Ox-Eye (*Telekia speciosa*) were observed. After the monastery visit, we made a lunch stop at a traditional restaurant nearby that delighted everyone with its fresh river trout.

With energies refreshed by the local cuisine, we retraced our route, heading down towards a river crossing surrounded by a high isolated outcrop of conglomerate rock. This area turned out to be very rich botanically, and gave us a whole new suite of species to observe, presumably due to the effects of the underlying bedrock geology. Immediately, one of the group noted the large colourful caterpillar of the Spurge Hawkmoth perched on its food plant, Glaucous Spurge (*Euphorbia myrsinites*), along with a Large White butterfly nearby. The miniature shrubs on these rocky soils were of interest and included Eastern Hornbeam (*Carpinus orientalis*) and Christ's-Thorn (*Paliurus spina-christi*), with its extensive sharp thorns and strange disc-like fruits. We discovered various species of Saxifrage, Houseleek and Stonecrop on the rocks, although most were not in full flower. One species of Stonecrop was in full flower and showed its distinctive four cross-like petal arrangement, namely, *Sedum stefco*. This species was our first noted Bulgarian endemic. The Houseleek species *Sempervivum ciliosum*, a Balkan endemic found on the rocks here, revealed its long ciliate hairs on the leaf edges. Wall Germander (*Teucrium chamaedrys*), Mullein Pink (*Lychnis coronaria*) and Pale Bugloss (*Echium italicum*) were also notable here, as was the Balkan endemic Scabious, *Scabiosa triniifolia*.

Back on the road southwards, the European Smoketree (*Cotinus coggygia*) was observed as a rather distinctive shrub in roadside scrub near Blagoevgrad, whilst Sand Martins were observed in one location nesting in abundance along the sandy banks of the Struma River south of that city.

Finally, we reached our destination of Bansko, a modern town developed around an historic village and renowned ski resort. Our centrally located modern hotel provided easy access to the town's attractions. The Pirin Mountains were visible in the distance in some locations. In the evening, we gathered near the hotel for some more traditional Bulgarian cuisine, followed by reviewing our collections and records for the day and discussing plans for the next day.

## Day 4

## Friday 16th June

Following a satisfying breakfast, we embarked on our journey towards the lower slopes of the Pirin Mountain, a part of the expansive National Park established in the 1930s. Although the area had witnessed significant development for winter sports, with the addition of car parks, lodges, ski lifts, and snow-making machines, we were pleasantly surprised to find vast stretches of the park still untouched. Our destination was the Banderitsa Lodge, where we disembarked from the bus and began our ascent along the meandering mountain road, which was refreshingly free of traffic. As we walked, we thoroughly explored the verges on both sides, discovering a wealth of botanical treasures. The journey progressed slowly due to the abundance of flora, but the easy walking along the verges allowed us to enjoy every moment. Our botanical checklist expanded rapidly as we encountered various species along the way. Highlights from the verges along this mountain road were Pale-Flowered Orchid (*Orchis pallens*), Lady Orchid (*Orchis purpurea*) and the Balkan endemic Violet species, *Viola orbelica*.

Above us, the forest predominantly consisted of coniferous trees, including the impressive Bosnian Pine (*Pinus heldreichii*). One particular tree, known as the Baikusheva Mura, or Baikushev's Pine, caught our attention, an ultra-veteran specimen estimated to be 1,300 years old, approximately the age of the Bulgarian State itself. Indeed, access to the tree was recently restricted as a large branch had partially broken off the trunk of the tree. The tree nonetheless stood tall and proud as ever.

As we made our way higher, past scree slopes and mountain streams, our focus remained on the vibrant flora carpeting the ground. The aromatic-leaved Rock Crane's-bill (*Geranium macrorrhizum*) showcased its colourful blooms in large, spreading clusters. Among the special finds of this area were Elder-Flowered Orchid (*Dactylorhiza sambucina*), Heart-flowered Marsh Orchid (*Dactylorhiza cordigera*) and the delicately fragrant Garland-Flower (*Daphne cneorum*). In the rocky crevices and outcrops along the road, we spotted the elegant Holly Fern (*Polystichum lonchitis*) and the delicate Brittle Bladder-fern (*Cystopteris fragilis*).

On the scree slopes by a stream which cut across the road, a totally different flora was observed, with the Aubrieta, *Aubrieta gracilis*, and the Speedwell *Veronica kellererii* (a Bulgarian endemic) both being noted. As we ascended to higher altitude, we left behind the taller pine and spruce forests and entered the sub-alpine zone of the Mountain Pine (*Pinus mugo*), which grows no higher than a medium-sized shrub.

Our picnic spot at Vihren Chalet coincided with a stream formed by the snowmelt from a nearby gully, which provided delicious, fresh, mountain water to refill our bellies and bottles. With breath-taking views of the surrounding mountains and forests, we enjoyed our meal amidst the natural beauty. Traditional Bulgarian mountain herbal tea was taken after our meal. In the immediate surroundings, we were delighted to find a few purple flowers of *Crocus veluchensis*. On the wet slopes, clumps of Balkan Butterwort (*Pinguicula balcanica*) flourished abundantly with their delicate blueish flowers.

After our pleasant break at the Vihren Chalet, where the road ended, some of us headed up the well-frequented mountain walking paths a little way to find anything new that could be discovered here. A short way up the path, it opened out on to a lovely wet alpine meadow filled with the erect stems of False Helleborine (*Veratrum album*). On the drier fringing grasslands, the minute flowers of the alpine Pink species, *Dianthus microlepis* were observed. We then re-joined the bus from Vihren Chalet and returned to Bansko, stopping off at the Information Centre for the national park, which visit rewarded us with some beautiful photo montages of the park on display. In the evening, we gathered once again to review our checklists and collections and discuss the plans for the upcoming day, reflecting on the rewarding experiences of our eventful botanical exploration.

## Day 5

## Saturday 17th June

Today was to be an eventful day, as we planned to experience the thermal mountain waters at a local 'banya' and also hoped to see Eurasian Brown Bears in the flesh, alongside our morning of botanising. We started the day at Krushe Marsh, a strict nature reserve not far from Bansko. This marsh occurs in a lower plateau between the Pirin and Rila mountain ranges. It is lime-rich in nature, as a consequence of lime-rich water flowing down from the limestone section of the Pirin Mountains. The marsh is lightly grazed by cattle, which helps to keep the vegetation open and herb-rich. Notable orchids that we found in the marsh were the Marsh Orchid, *Dactylorhiza kalopissii*, which is only known rarely from scattered locations in Bulgaria and Greece, along with the musky-scented Fragrant Bug Orchid (*Orchis coriophora* subsp. *fragrans*). The white furry heads of Broad-leaved Cotton-grass (*Eriophorum latifolium*) were also abundant here in the wetter parts of the marsh. Unfortunately, some areas of this marsh were seen to be threatened by recent (and often abandoned) building developments.

Having thoroughly enjoyed this lovely marsh habitat, we headed on into the mountains to Bear Sanctuary Belitsa. This sanctuary takes in to its care numerous Eurasian Brown Bears which have been mistreated in captivity, e.g. as circus animals, and the sanctuary provides a wonderful opportunity to see bear behaviour up close and personal,

albeit behind protective electric fencing. Hibernation holes were seen dug out under tree trunks, and one female bear was particularly charismatic, even scratching herself on a tree trunk for our viewing, which was highly amusing to the group. The woodland flora in this area was also of interest for those who could avert their gaze from the Bears for a moment, as flowering Bird's-nest Orchid (*Neottia nidus-avis*) was seen, along with a Wintergreen (*Pyrola*) species and the white-flowered White Wood-rush (*Luzula luzuloides*). Jays were also on display near the bears.

Our bus then headed to the town of Banya, which is famous for its thermal baths or 'banya', and the group partook of a refreshing dip in the naturally heated water, which is c. 58°C where it first emerges from the ground. The water is mineral-rich and highly basic, at c. 9.4 pH. After this, the group returned to Bansko for dinner, feeling well-rested and rejuvenated by the mineral waters.

## Day 6

## Sunday 18th June

After bidding farewell to our hotel this morning, we set off southwards to reach the Rhodope Mountains, near the Bulgarian border with Greece. After a long drive south through the Bulgarian countryside, we finally reached an area of 'phrygana' vegetation just north of Pavliova Padina Nature Reserve and had time to soak up the botanical riches. Near the border with Greek Macedonia, the vegetation was appearing decidedly more Mediterranean in influence. Our first botanical sighting right by the road was the distinctive and beautiful Red-Topped Sage (*Salvia viridis*), with its purple 'false flower' bracts on the tips of the flowering stems, drawing the attention of pollinators. Also nearby the road, we were greeted with one of the orchid highlights of the trip in the vibrant Lizard Orchid, *Himantoglossum calcaratum*, a Balkan species which is related to our separate UK Lizard Orchid species. The erect flowering shoots of St. Bernard's Lily (*Anthericum liliago*) adorned the phrygana hillside vegetation in abundance. Other specialities of this area which we enjoyed in the phrygana and meadows were Woodcock Orchid (*Ophrys cornuta*), Fragrant Bug Orchid (*Orchis coriophora* subsp. *fragrans*), a Thyme relative, *Ziziphora capitata*, the beautiful Crested Cow-Wheat (*Melampyrum cristatum*) and also the black-flowered Monkswort (*Nonea pulla*).

We then drove a short distance up the hill to the pleasant village of Teshovo, where we set out lunch on a beautiful sheltered terrace (on the grounds of a former school) overlooking the town and surrounding hillsides. Light rains passed through as we enjoyed the views and the fresh Bulgarian meat, cheese, fruits and vegetables. During our lunch, discussions were had about Alexander the Great, who was borne some three hours' drive from our lunch spot. After lunch, we spent some time exploring the adjacent St. Demeter's Church, which, although in need of restoration works, was nonetheless very beautiful in its original state and with wonderful and varied historical and religious artwork on the walls.

Finally, we reached the Hotel Dabrash, just west of Dospat, our accommodation for the remaining days of our journey, which provided breath-taking panoramic views of the Rhodope Mountains near the Greek border. Some of the group found time to explore the local pine forests and meadows immediately surrounding the hotel, which were of great interest botanically. Beneath the pine trees not far from the hotel, we discovered the saprophytic Violet Limodore (*Limodorum abortivum*), as well as the Greater Butterfly Orchid (*Platanthera chlorantha*). In the wet meadow below the hotel right by the driveway, a number of beautiful species were observed, including Lax-flowered Marsh Orchid (*Anacamptis palustris* subsp. *elegans*), Fragrant Orchid (*Gymnadenia conopsea* s.l.), Green-winged Orchid (*Anacamptis morio*) and Tassel Hyacinth (*Leopoldia comosa*). Others noted Hummingbird Hawkmoth and Elephant Hawkmoth on the wing. The expansive and tranquil grounds of the hotel provided an idyllic setting for



bird-watching and relaxation, as Swallows and House Martins gracefully swooped overhead. Another rich and tasty dinner awaited us in the dining room, and drinks were had in the terrace afterwards.

## Day 7

Monday 19th June

On our final day in Bulgaria, we set our sights towards the Greek border, venturing to the renowned Trigrad Gorge, known for its wonderful landscapes and abundance of rare plant species. The journey took approximately an hour, offering awe-inspiring scenery along the way, including lush forests, expansive dams, and flower-laden hay meadows that adorned the entire route. Our first stop led us to the path descending to the "Devil's Throat", where the river cascaded through a deep ravine. Guided by steps and a handrail, we ventured to a viewpoint, and here were treated to the sight of the Orpheus Flower (*Haberlea rhodopensis*), a Bulgarian endemic plant (and genus) and one of only five European representatives of the mostly sub-tropical/tropical African Violet family (Gesneriaceae). Nestled against the mossy rock faces and perpetually drenched in spray, this unique species captured our admiration. Some of our group then purchased some local honey and tea herbs on sale near the ravine. This included the Mountain Ironwort (*Sideritis montana*), the attractive plant used to create the herbal tea we had enjoyed on several occasions.

On the roadsides above the ravine, the small white flowers of the Rhodope Sandwort (*Arenaria rhodopaea*) were observed, the plants growing directly out of the limestone rock faces. This was perhaps the rarest species we encountered on the trip, as it is endemic to only the Trigrad Gorge in Bulgaria and is found nowhere else on Earth. Crag Martins meanwhile flew in large numbers above our heads, giving us a wonderful chorus.

We then headed on to a new site higher up the gorge near the top of the slope with a pleasant walking path before us, and here we strolled, discovering new plant treasures with each step. Among the first sightings were the Bellflower *Campanula lingulata*, as well as Burnt Orchid (*Neotinea ustulata*). The leaves of Prickly Whorlflower (*Morina persica*) were observed but it was not in flower yet. This species is distributed from the Rhodope Mountains at its westernmost extent, across Central Asia to the Himalayas. On the rocks and scree adjacent to the path, further interesting species were observed, including the Globularia species *Globularia aphyllanthos* and *G. cordifolia*, and a tall showy Balkan endemic Mullein, *Verbascum nobile*. On our way back along the path, a local beekeeper offered us a sample of fresh bee pollen collected from local hives just above the path.

A lunch of fresh local trout was then enjoyed in the town of Trigrad, followed by coffee and tea in the town of Yagodina. Our last stop of the day was an old abandoned Soviet-era roadway above a gorge near the town of Teshel, which leads to the Kastrakli Nature Reserve. This walk turned out to be extremely rich botanically. Two exciting orchids were added to our list, namely, Red Helleborine (*Cephalanthera rubra*) and Lady's Slipper Orchid (*Cypripedium calceolus*), the flowers of the latter unfortunately past their best but nonetheless a true privilege to see. Limestone Fern (*Gymnocarpium robertianum*) crept up through some of the cracks in the limestone rock adjacent to the path. The trees along the path contained an abundance of European Hop-Hornbeam (*Ostrya carpinifolia*), a species not found in western Europe. It is superficially very similar to Hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus*) but has different fruits. Below the trees, Yellow Flax (*Linum capitatum*), Mezereon (*Daphne mezereum*) and Willow Gentian (*Gentiana asclepiadea*) were evident. On our return along the same path, other species revealed themselves to us, which has been missed on the initial walk (as so often happens), including Fly Orchid (*Ophrys insectifera*) and White Helleborine (*Cephalanthera damasonium*). A beautiful Poplar Hawkmoth turned up on the clothing of one of the group, and after enjoying its beauty, it was returned to the scrub.

On our return to the hotel, we stopped off briefly to marvel at an old Ottoman-era bridge over the Karadjadere River. We then returned to the hotel for our final dinner meal of the trip, which was topped off with towers of ice cream and some local ‘rakia’ spirits. The final full day was perhaps the most botanically rich out of all of our days in Bulgaria. These remarkable botanical encounters enriched our journey, adding to the memories we would cherish from our exploration of this remarkable landscape.

## Day 8

**Tuesday 20th June**

In the morning, we rose early to prepare for our return journey to Sofia. By 7 am, we were all set to depart. The roads meandered through picturesque wooded hills, revealing glimpses of several expansive lakes and reservoirs along the way. Traffic remained relatively light for the journey, and it allowed us time to observe various birds and mammals near the roadsides, including Red Deer, the occasional Buzzard, and several White Storks.

As the landscape transitioned from steep hillsides and forested uplands to the fertile agricultural lowlands, vineyards and sprawling fields of Sunflowers (most not yet in flower) and Potatoes painted a vibrant tapestry. We made a brief stop at a service station to treat ourselves to coffee and avail of the restrooms, and also a second stop at a bakery to partake of some local cheese-filled pastries to energise ourselves, breaking the journey before reaching Sofia Airport with ample time for our London/Dublin-bound flights. While some members of our group planned to extend their stay in Bulgaria, we expressed our heartfelt gratitude to our Bulgarian hosts (both leader and driver) for a truly unforgettable trip, bidding them farewell at the airport.

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## Species lists

Plants ([ ] = introduced or planted, \* = endemic)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
<b>PTERIDOPHYTES</b>	<b>FERNS &amp; ALLIES</b>	
<b>Calamophytes</b>	<b>Horsetails</b>	
<b>Equisetaceae</b>	<b>Horsetail Family</b>	
<i>Equisetum</i> sp.		Rila, wet meadow at the fork for Stob village
<b>Leptosporangiate Ferns</b>	<b>True Ferns</b>	
<b>Cystopteridaceae</b>	<b>Bladder-fern Family</b>	
<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Brittle Bladder-fern	Rila town, rocks at the eco-trail to the "Cross" Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's Throat
<i>Gymnocarpium dryopteris</i>	Oak Fern	
<i>Gymnocarpium robertianum</i>	Limestone Fern	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's Throat and Teshel, road to Kastrakli reserve
<b>Dryopteridaceae</b>	<b>Buckler-fern Family</b>	
<i>Polystichum lonchitis</i>	Holly-fern	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>GYMNOSPERMS</b>	<b>CONIFERS</b>	
<b>Cupressaceae</b>	<b>Juniper Family</b>	
<b>Pinaceae</b>	<b>Pine Family</b>	
<i>Abies alba</i>	European Silver Fir	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Pinus heldreichii</i> ( <i>P. leucodermis</i> )	Bosnian Pine	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Pinus mugo</i>	Dwarf Mountain Pine	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Pinus peuce</i> *	Macedonian Pine	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>ANGIOSPERMS</b>	<b>FLOWERING PLANTS</b>	
<b>Pre-dicots</b>	<b>Primitive Angiosperms</b>	
<b>Aristolochiaceae</b>	<b>Birthwort Family</b>	
<i>Aristolochia clematitis</i>	Birthwort	Rila town, rocks
<b>Eu-dicots</b>	<b>True Dicotyledons</b>	
<b>Adoxaceae</b>	<b>Moschatel Family</b>	
<i>Sambucus ebulus</i>	Dwarf Elder / Danewort	Golo bardo
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Common Elder	Golo bardo
<b>Anacardiaceae</b>	<b>Sumach Family</b>	
<i>Cotinus coggygria</i>	Smoke Tree	Rhodope, Teshel

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
<b>Apiaceae</b>	<b>Carrot Family</b>	
<i>Bupleurum rotundifolium</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Laser trilobum</i>		Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Laserpitium siler</i>	Laserwort	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Oenanthe fistulosa</i>	Tubular Water Dropwort	Rila, wet meadow at the fork for Stob village
<i>Orlaya grandiflora</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Sanicula europaea</i>	Sanicle	Rila, Bear park
<b>Apocynaceae</b>	<b>Periwinkle Family</b>	
<i>Vinca sp.</i>		Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i>	Swallow-wort	Mesta, Teshovo village
<b>Betulaceae</b>	<b>Birch Family</b>	
<i>Ostrya carpinifolia</i>	Hop Hornbeam	Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Boraginaceae</b>	<b>Borage Family</b>	
<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>	Alkanet	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Cerinthe minor</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Cynoglossum montanum</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Echium italicum</i>	Pale Bugloss	Rila town, rocks
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	Viper's Bugloss	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Nonea pulla</i>	Monksweed (blue-purple fls)	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Onosma sp.</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village Rhodope, Yagodina Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Onosma heterophylla</i>	-	Rila town, rocks
<i>Onosma taurica</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Onosma visianii</i>		Golo bardo
<b>Brassicaceae</b>	<b>Cabbage Family</b>	
<i>Alyssum alyssoides</i>	Small Alison	Golo bardo
<i>Arabis alpina</i>	Alpine Rock-cress	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Arabis ferdinandi-coburgi</i> *		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Arabis turrita</i>	Tower Cress	Rila, Rila monastery
<i>Aubrieta gracilis</i> *	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Cardamine cf. impatiens</i>		Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Erysimum sp.</i>		Golo bardo Pirin, Banderitsa-Vihren
<i>[Lepidium draba]</i>	Hoary Cress	Golo bardo
<i>Rorippa sp.</i>		Rila town, rocks
<i>Rorippa thracica</i>		Rila, Bear park
<i>Thlaspi arvense</i>	Field Pennycress	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Campanulaceae</b>	<b>Bellflower Family</b>	
<i>Asyneuma limonifolium</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Campanula sp.</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Campanula lingulata</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Campanula orphanidea</i> *	-	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Campanula rumeliana</i> ( <i>Trachelium jacquinii</i> subsp. <i>rum.</i> ) *		Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Campanula scutellata</i> *		Rila town, rocks
<i>Edraianthus serbicus</i> *		Golo bardo

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<b>Caprifoliaceae</b>	<b>Honeysuckle family</b>	
<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	Field Scabious	Golo bardo
<i>Knautia macedonica</i> *		Golo bardo
<i>Scabiosa sicula</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Scabiosa triniifolia</i> *	-	Rila town, rocks
<i>Valeriana montana</i>	-	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Valeriana tripteris</i>	Three-leaved Valerian	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Caryophyllaceae</b>	<b>Pink Family</b>	
<i>Arenaria rhodopaea</i> *		Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Dianthus</i> sp.		Rila, Bear park Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Dianthus cruentus</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Dianthus gracilis</i> *		Rila town, rocks
<i>Dianthus microlepis</i> *	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Herniaria glabra</i>	Smooth Rupturewort	Rila town, rocks
<i>Herniaria hirsuta</i>	Hairy Rupturewort	Rila town, rocks
<i>Minuartia</i> sp.		Golo bardo
<i>Moehringia pendula</i>	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Moenchia mantica</i>	-	Razlog, Krushe Rila, Bear park
<i>Paronychia</i> sp.		Golo bardo
<i>Silene</i> sp.		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Silene alba</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Silene coronaria</i> ( <i>Lychnis</i> c.)	Rose Champion	Rila town, rocks
<i>Silene fabarioides</i> *	-	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Silene flos-cuculi</i> ( <i>Lychnis</i> f-c.)	Ragged Robin	Rila town, meadow
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Champion	Golo bardo
<b>Cistaceae</b>	<b>Rock-rose Family</b>	
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Common Rockrose	Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Fumana procumbens</i> *	-	Golo bardo Mesta, Teshovo village
<b>Compositae (Asteraceae)</b>	<b>Daisy Family</b>	
<i>Achillea ageratifolia</i> *	-	Golo bardo
<i>Achillea clypeolata</i> *	-	Golo bardo
<i>Achillea coarctata</i> ( <i>A. compacta</i> )	-	Rila, Rila town, rocks
<i>Achillea collina</i>		Golo bardo Rila, Bear park
<i>Anthemis orbelica</i> ( = <i>Anthemis macedonica</i> subsp. <i>orbelica</i> )		Rila town, rocks
<i>Carduus nutans</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Centaurea stoebe</i>	-	Rila town, rocks
<i>Crepis setosa</i>	Bristly Hawkweed	Rila town, meadow
<i>Doronicum columnae</i>	Heart-leaved Leopardsbane	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Erigeron annuus</i>		Rila town, meadow
<i>Filago germanica</i> ( <i>F. vulgaris</i> )	Common Cudweed	Golo bardo
<i>Gnaphalium luteo-album</i>		Rila town, rocks
<i>Hieracium aggr.</i>		Rila monastery

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<i>Hieracium kittaniae</i>		Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Jurinea mollis</i>	Jurinea	Golo bardo
<i>Leontodon hispidus</i>	Rough Hawkbit	Golo bardo
<i>Mycelis muralis</i>	Wall Lettuce	Rila monastery
<i>Pilosella piloselloides</i> subsp. <i>bauhinii</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Pulicaria dysenterica</i>	Common Fleabane	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Telekia speciosa</i>	-	Rila monastery
<i>Tragopogon orientalis</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Tragopogon pratensis</i>		Razlog, Krushe
<i>Tragopogon pterodes</i>	-	Golo bardo
<b>Convolvulaceae</b>	<b>Bindweed Family</b>	
<i>Convolvulus cantabrica</i>	-	Golo bardo Mesta, Teshovo village
<b>Crassulaceae</b>	<b>Stonecrop Family</b>	
<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop	Golo bardo
<i>Sedum cepaea</i>		Rila monastery
<i>Sedum hispanicum</i>	-	Rila monastery
<i>Sedum stefco</i> *		Rila town, rocks
<i>Sedum urvillei</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Sempervivum ciliosum</i> *		Rila town, rocks
<b>Ericaceae</b>	<b>Heather Family</b>	
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	Bearberry	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Pyrola</i> cf. <i>media</i>		Rila, Bear park
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Euphorbiaceae</b>	<b>Spurge Family</b>	
<i>Euphorbia</i> sp.		Rila town, meadow
<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>	Broad leaved Glaucous Spurge	Rila town, rocks
<b>Gentianaceae</b>	<b>Gentian Family</b>	
<i>Gentiana asclepiadea</i>	Willow-leaved Gentian	Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Geraniaceae</b>	<b>Cranesbill Family</b>	
<i>Geranium macrorrhizum</i>	Rock Crane's-bill	Rila monastery Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Geranium pyrenaicum</i>	Hedgerow Crane's-bill	Golo bardo
<i>Geranium sanguineum</i>	Bloody Crane's-bill	Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<b>Gesneriaceae</b>	<b>Pyrenean-violet Family</b>	
<i>Haberlea rhodopensis</i> *	-	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Grossulariaceae</b>	<b>Gooseberry Family</b>	
<i>Ribes petraeum</i>	Rock Redcurrant	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Hypericaceae</b>	<b>St. John's-wort Family</b>	

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<i>Hypericum cerastioides</i>	-	Rila, Bear park Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Perforate St. John's-wort	Rila town, rocks
<i>Hypericum rumeliacum</i> *	-	Golo bardo
<b>Lamiaceae</b>	<b>Dead-nettle Family</b>	
<i>Acinos alpinus</i>	Alpine Calamint	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Clinopodium acinos</i> ( <i>Acinos arvensis</i> )	Basil Thyme	Golo bardo
<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i>	Ground Pine	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Ajuga genevensis</i>	Blue Bugle	Golo bardo Pirin, Banderitsa-Vihren
<i>Ajuga laxmannii</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Lamium garganicum</i>	Large Red Deadnettle	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Leonurus cardiaca</i>	Motherwort	Golo bardo
<i>Marrubium peregrinum</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Melissa officinalis</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Salvia argentea</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Salvia glutinosa</i>		Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Salvia nemorosa</i>		Golo bardo Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Salvia viridis</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Sideritis montana</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Sideritis montana</i> subsp. <i>remota</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Stachys germanica</i>	Downy Woundwort	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Stachys officinalis</i>	Betony	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	Wall Germander	Golo bardo
<i>Teucrium montanum</i>	Mountain Germander	Golo bardo
<i>Thymus</i> sp.		Rila town, rocks
<i>Thymus striatus</i>	Thyme	Golo bardo
<i>Ziziphora capitata</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<b>Leguminosae (Fabaceae)</b>	<b>Pea Family</b>	
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	Common Kidney Vetch	Golo bardo
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i> subsp. <i>aurea</i> *	-	Golo bardo
<i>Astragalus monspessulanus</i>	False Vetch	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Astragalus onobrychis</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Coronilla emerus</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Coronilla varia</i>		Rila town, rocks
<i>Dorycnium herbaceum</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Genista</i> sp.		Mesta, Teshovo village Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Lathyrus hirsutus</i>	Hairy Vetchling	Rila town, meadow
<i>Lotus aegaeus</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Onobrychis arenaria</i>	Small Sainfoin	Golo bardo
<i>Ononis spinosa</i>	Spiny Restharrow	Rila town, meadow
[ <i>Robinia pseudacacia</i> ]	False Acacia	Golo bardo
<i>Trifolium</i> sp.		Rila town, rocks
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Trifolium incarnatum</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Trifolium patens</i>		Rila town, meadow

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<i>Vicia sp.</i>		Rila Bear park Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Vicia cracca</i>	Tufted Vetch	Golo bardo
<i>Vicia hirsuta</i>	Hairy Tare	Rila Bear park
<i>Vicia onobrychioides</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Vicia pannonica</i>	-	Golo bardo
<i>Vicia villosa</i>		Rhodope, Trigrad
<b>Lentibulariaceae</b>	<b>Bladderwort Family</b>	
<i>Pinguicula balcanica*</i>	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Malvaceae</b>	<b>Mallow Family</b>	
<i>Alcea cf. pallida</i>		Rila town, rocks
<b>Oleaceae</b>	<b>Ash Family</b>	
<i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> (= <i>F. oxycarpa</i> )		Rila town, meadow
<i>Epilobium dodonaei</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad
<b>Orobanchaceae</b>	<b>Broomrape Family</b>	
<i>Melampyrum cristatum</i>	Crested Cow-wheat	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Orobanche sp.</i>		Golo bardo Rila town, rocks
<i>Orobanche alba</i>	Thyme Broomrape	Golo bardo
<i>Rhinanthus sp.</i>		Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Rhinanthus serotinus</i> (= <i>angustifolius</i> )		Golo bardo
<b>Papaveraceae</b>	<b>Poppy Family</b>	
<i>Chelidonium majus</i>	Greater Celandine	Rila monastery
<i>Fumaria vaillantii</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Papaver dubium</i>	Long-headed Poppy	Golo bardo
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy	Golo bardo
<b>Plantaginaceae</b>	<b>Plantain Family</b>	
<i>Digitalis lanata</i>	-	Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Globularia aphyllanthes</i>		Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Globularia cordifolia</i>	Matted Globularia	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Gratiola officinalis</i>		Rila town, meadow
<i>Plantago media</i>	Hoary Plantain	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Veronica austriaca</i> subsp. <i>jacquinii</i>		Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Veronica kellereri</i> *	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Veronica officinalis</i>	Heath Speedwell	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Veronica urticifolia</i>	Nettle-leaved Speedwell	Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Plumbaginaceae</b>	<b>Thrift Family</b>	
<i>Armeria cariensis</i> var. <i>rumelica</i>	-	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<b>Polygonaceae</b>	<b>Knotweed Family</b>	
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep's Sorrel	Golo bardo
<i>Rumex alpinus</i>	Monks Rhubarb	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren



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<b>Ranunculaceae</b>	<b>Buttercup family</b>	
<i>Anemone nemorosa</i>	Wood Anemone	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Consolida hispanica</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Consolida regalis</i>	Forking Larkspur	Golo bardo
<i>Ranunculus sp.</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Thalictrum minus</i>	Lesser Meadow Rue	Golo bardo
<b>Rhamnaceae</b>	<b>Buckthorn Family</b>	
<i>Paliurus spina-christi</i>		Rila town, rocks
<b>Rosaceae</b>	<b>Rose Family</b>	
<i>Agrimonia eupatoria</i>	Agrimony	Rila town, meadow
<i>Alchemilla sp.</i>		Pirin, Banderitsa-Vihren Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Filipendula vulgaris</i>	Dropwort	Golo bardo Razlog, Krushe
<i>Potentilla argentea</i>	Hoary Cinquefoil	Golo bardo
<i>Rosa canina</i>	Dog Rose	Golo bardo
<i>Galium album</i>	-	Golo bardo
<b>Santalaceae</b>	<b>Bastard Toadflax Family</b>	
<i>Thesium sp.</i>		Golo bardo
<b>Saxifragaceae</b>	<b>Saxifrage Family</b>	
<i>Saxifraga luteoviridis (S. corymbosa)</i>	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Saxifraga rotundifolia</i>	Round-leaved Saxifrage	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Saxifraga sempervivum</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Scrophulariaceae</b>	<b>Figwort Family</b>	
<i>Verbascum nobile</i> *		Rhodope, Trigrad
<b>Thymelaeaceae</b>	<b>Mezereon Family</b>	
<i>Daphne cneorum</i>	Garland Flower	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Daphne mezereum</i>	Mezereon	Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Violaceae</b>	<b>Violet family</b>	
<i>Viola sp.</i>		Golo bardo Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Viola crinita</i> (= <i>Viola orphanidis subsp. crinita</i> ) *		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Viola dacica</i>	-	Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat (?)
<i>Viola orbelica</i> *	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Viola tricolor</i>	Heartsease	Golo bardo
<b>MONOCOTS</b>	<b>Monocotyledons</b>	
<b>Asparagaceae</b>	<b>Asparagus Family</b>	
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	St Bernard's Lily	Mesta, Teshovo village Rhodope, Trigrad

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<i>Leopoldia (Muscari) comosum</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Rila Bear park Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Ornithogalum sp.</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Ornithogalum comosum</i>	-	Golo bardo
<b>Cyperaceae</b>	<b>Sedge Family</b>	
<i>Blysmus compressus</i>	Flat Sedge	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Carex echinata</i>	Star Sedge	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Glaucous Sedge	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Carex nigra</i>	Common Sedge	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Carex lepidocarpa</i>		Razlog, Krushe Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Carex ovalis</i>		Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Carex pallescens</i>	Pale Sedge	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Carex panicea</i>		Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Carex sylvatica</i>	Wood Sedge	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	Common Spike-rush	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Eriophorum latifolium</i>	Broad-leaved Cotton-grass	Razlog, Krushe
<i>Holoschoenus vulgaris</i>		Razlog, Krushe
<i>Scirpus sylvaticus</i>	Wood Club-rush	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<b>Dioscoreaceae</b>	<b>Black Bryony Family</b>	
<i>Tamus communis</i>	Black Bryony	Rhodope, Teshel
<b>Iridaceae</b>	<b>Iris Family</b>	
<i>Crocus veluchensis</i> *	-	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Juncaceae</b>	<b>Rush Family</b>	
<i>Juncus compressus</i>		Rila town, meadow
<i>Luzula luzuloides</i>	White Wood Rush	Rila Bear park Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Luzula multiflora</i> agg.	Heath Wood-rush	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	Hairy Wood-rush	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Luzula pindica</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Liliaceae</b>	<b>Lily Family</b>	
<i>Lilium martagon</i>	Martagon Lily	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Melanthiaceae</b>	<b>Herb-paris Family</b>	
<i>Veratrum album</i>	White False Helleborine	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<b>Orchidaceae</b>	<b>Orchid Family</b>	
<i>Anacamptis (Orchis) coriophora</i>	Bug Orchid	Razlog, Krushe Mesta, Teshovo village Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Anacamptis morio</i>	Green-winged Orchid	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Anacamptis palustris</i> subsp. <i>elegans</i>	-	Rila town Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid	Golo bardo Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Cephalanthera damasonium</i>	White Helleborine	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Cephalanthera rubra</i>	Red Helleborine	Rhodope, Teshel

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<i>Cypripedium calceolus</i>		Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Dactylorhiza cordigera</i>	Heart-shaped Marsh Orchid	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Dactylorhiza kalopissii</i> *		Razlog, Krushe
<i>Dactylorhiza saccifera</i>	Wedge-lipped Orchid	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Dactylorhiza sambucina</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Epipactis</i> sp.		Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Gymnadenia conopsea</i> agg.	Fragrant Orchid	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Himantoglossum calcaratum</i> *	-	Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Limodorum abortivum</i>	Violet Limodore	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Neotinea ustulata</i>	Burnt Orchid	Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Neottia nidus-avis</i>	Birds Nest Orchid	Rila, Bear park
<i>Neottia ovata</i> ( <i>Listera ovata</i> )	Twayblade	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Ophrys cornuta</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Ophrys insectifera</i>	Fly Orchid	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Ochis pallens</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Orchis purpurea</i>		Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Platanthera chlorantha</i>	Greater Butterfly Orchid	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<b>Poaceae</b>	<b>Grass Family</b>	
<i>Aira elegantissima</i>	-	Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Alopecurus rendlei</i>		Rhodope, Dabrash hotel
<i>Bromus squarrosus</i>	Rough Brome	Rila town Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Catabrosa aquatica</i>		Razlog, Krushe
<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i>	Rough Dogstail	Rila town, rocks
<i>Festuca</i> sp.		Golo bardo
<i>Festuca vivipara</i>		Rhodope, Trigrad
<i>Hordeum cf. hystrix</i>		Mesta, Teshovo village
<i>Koeleria</i> sp.		Golo bardo Rila town, rocks
<i>Melica nutans</i>	Mountain Melick	Rhodope, Teshel
<i>Nardus stricta</i>	Mat Grass	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Panicum</i> sp.		Rila town, rocks
<i>Phleum alpinum</i>	Alpine Catstail	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Poa alpina</i>	Alpine Meadow Grass	Pirin, Banderitza – Vihren
<i>Sesleria cf. caerulea</i>		Rhodope, Trigrad, Devil's throat
<i>Stipa pulcherrima</i>		Golo bardo
<i>Trisetum flavescens</i>	Yellow Oat-grass	Golo bardo
<i>Vulpia bromoides</i>		Rila Bear park
<b>Xanthorrhoeaceae</b>	<b>Asphodel Family</b>	
<i>Asphodelus</i> sp.		Golo bardo