

# White asphodel

*Asphodelus albus* subsp. *subalpinus*  
Nyman, 1882

The white asphodel often forms imposing, characteristic colonies: its long, narrow, brittle leaves are gathered in a huge rosette at the base of the stem. The appearance of these leaves has earned the Dauphiné asphodel the popular name of "dog's leek". The stem can grow to 1.5 meters. About twenty beautiful white flowers are gathered at the top.

## Not to confuse

The St Bruno lily (*Paradisea lilastrum*) and Phalangere (*Anthericum liliago*) are distinguished by their smaller size (<40cm) and fewer flowers, not forming a compact inflorescence.



## Common names

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## Environment

Alpine dry and rocky grasslands

## Altitude

900-2700 m

## Season

- may-september

## Size

40 to 150 cm

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