

Another bulbocodium hybrid.

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Lawrence Trevanian made 'Gold Step' a cross of 'Alfriston, 2Y-R, by N. bulbocodium. This cross is fertile. I think Lawrence once told me that he had doubled the number of chromosomes to restore fertility. I made the first hybrids with it in 2015 and they are starting to flower now. I wanted a larger corona and used N. romieuxii as the pollen parent. There were 17 seeds. Here is the first to open with many more buds to come. I am not sure if all the buds belong to the same seedling bulb or its siblings. If the same bulb that is 5 flowers on the maiden bloom. Stems are 20 cm tall and I like the stance of the perianth. Tepals are wider. Still to open is the first of another cross that mated 'Gold Step' with a large petuniod yellow bulbocodium.



Goldstep x N. romieuxii

Happy New Year everyone.

Harold