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Asphodeline lutea

[Synonyms : *Asphodelus luteus*]

YELLOW ASPHODEL is a bulbous perennial. Native to Asia Minor, the Mediterranean and Sicily, it has sweetly scented yellow flowers.

It is also known as *A sfodelka žlutá* (Czech), Asphodel, Flower-of-the-dead, Jacob's rod, Jacob's staff, *Junkerlilja* (Swedish), *Keltasoihtu* (Finnish), King's spear, and Poor man's eremurus.

Lutea means 'deep yellow' with reference to the flowers.

The ancient Greeks and the Romans ate the bulbs as potatoes are eaten today.