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Lloydia serotina

[Synonyms : *Bulbocodium serotinum*, *Loidia serotina*]

SNOWDON LILY is a bulbous perennial. Native to Europe (including Wales) and to North America, it has small brownish-pink veined, creamy-white flowers.

It is also known as Alpine lily, Common alplily, *Lilijka pozdní* (Czech), *Lili'r Wyddfa* (Welsh), Lloydia, Lloydia lily, Mountain spiderwort, and *Spätblühende Faltenlilie* (German).

It is a protected plant in Britain under Schedule 2 of Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Act 1975, and Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

Serotina is derived from Latin *serotini*- (late) component meaning 'late in flowering or ripening' with reference to the flower.

Snowdon lily was discovered by Edward Lhwyd in the Snowdonia range of mountains in North Wales in 1690 growing on high rocky ledges. Today it can be found in the alpine regions of the Himalayas.

It is cultivated as an ornamental plant.