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Potentilla crantzii

[Synonyms : *Potentilla alpestris*, *Potentilla baldensis*, *Potentilla maculata*, *Potentilla salisburgensis*, *Potentilla verna*, *Potentilla verna* subsp. *major*, *Potentilla villosa*]

ALPINE CINQUEFOIL is a perennial. Native to northern, central and southern Europe and to the northern United States, it has small, very occasionally orange-spotted at base, yellow flowers with many stamens.

It is also known as *Fläckfingerört* (Swedish), *Flekkmure* (Norwegian), *Keväthanhikki* (Finnish), *Leamhnach Ailpeach* (Scots Gaelic), *Mochna crantzova* (Czech), *Nátržník* (Slovak), *Pumdalen Gwyrdd* (Welsh), *Vårfingerört* (Swedish), and *Zolltigel Fingerkraut* (German).

Crantzii commemorates an Austrian physician and botanist, Heinrich Johann Nepomuk von Crantz (1722-c.1797), who taught physiology and medicine at Vienna. His published works include *Materia medica et chirurgica*, and *Die Gesundbrunnen der Österreichischen Monarchie*.

The plant featured on a postage stamp issued by Norway in 1979.