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Sisyrinchium striatum

[Synonyms : *Phaiophleps nigricans*, *Sisyrinchium lutescens*]

SPRING BELL is a semi-evergreen perennial. Native to Argentina and Chile it has small primula-like, purple or brown striped, creamy-yellow flowers.

It is also known as Pale yellow-eyed grass, Satin flower, and Sisyrinchium.

Striatum means 'striped' with reference to the flowers.

Authorities believe that spring bell was introduced to Europe in about 1788.