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Veratrum nigrum

[Synonyms : *Veratrum bracteatum*, *Veratrum nigrum* var. *microcarpum*, *Veratrum nigrum* var. *ussuriense*]

BLACK HELLEBORE is a perennial. Native to Europe it has dark reddish-purple flower spikes.

It is also known as Black false hellebore, Black false helleborine, False hellebore, *Kýchavice černá* (Czech), *Schwarzer Germer* (German), *Svart nysrot* (Swedish), and *Veratro nigra* (Esperanto).

Nigrum means ‘black’ with reference to the dark coloured flowers.