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*Verbascum nigrum*

[Synonyms : *Verbascum abietinum*, *Verbascum bornmuelleri*, *Verbascum lanatum*]

**DARK MULLEIN** is a semi-evergreen biennial or perennial. Native to Europe it has small often purple-spotted, deep yellow or cream flowers with purple-hairy stamens.

It is also known as Aaron's rod, Black mullein, *Divizna černá* (Czech), *Divozel* (Slovak), *Dunkle Königskerze* (German), Garden mullein, *Grönkungsljus* (Swedish), *Molène* (Channel Islander-Jersey Norman-French), *Mørk Kongelys* (Danish), *Mörkt kungsljus* (Swedish), Mullein, *Pannog Tywyllddu* (Welsh), *Schwarze Königskerze* (German), and *Tummatulikukka* (Finnish).

*Nigrum* means 'black'.

Medicinally, European herbalists used dark mullein to treat wind, chest ailments and piles.