PLANT FACT SHEET

Muscari neglectum Guss. ex Ten.

GENUS *Muscari* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Grape hyacinth, Musk hyacinth, Nutmeg hyacinth

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Root, Bulbs, Flower stalk. Shoots

The bulbs or roots have a slightly bitter flavour. They are eaten.
The flowers are sprinkled over pureed rhubarb to add flavour.
The stalk of the flower is eaten raw as a snack.

DESCRIPTION

A bulb plant. It keeps growing from year to year from the bulbs. It grows 10-20 cm tall and spreads 5 cm wide. The leaves are narrow and have channels along them. They stick fairly upright. The leaves are mid green. They can be 6-40 cm long. The flowers are blue-black and oblong to urn shaped. These are in dense groups 5 cm long along a stalk.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant.

NOTES

There are about 30 Muscari species.
Also put in the family Hyacinthaceae.

PICTURES



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