

# The Merlin Trust

## GRANTS FOR YOUNG HORTICULTURISTS

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Founded in 1990 by Valerie Finnis VMH

### Merlin Trust – Alpine Garden Society Tour Scheme 2012

**TAURUS MOUNTAINS 4<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

**Tour Leaders Bob and Rannveig Wallis**

This trip is designed to show the incredible diversity of bulbous species. *Fritillaria sororum* and *Tulipa cinnabarinum* have both recently been described from this area.



*Fritillaria serpenticola*

The Merlin Trust in collaboration with the Alpine Garden Society is offering two fully funded places on the AGS forthcoming tour to the Taurus Mountains. Applications are invited to the Merlin Trust by no later than **31<sup>st</sup> January 2012**. As with previous tours offered jointly, the destination reflects the alpine and rock plant interests of the Merlin Trust founder, Valerie Finnis VMH.



*Crocus baytopiorum*

#### APPLICATIONS

- Applications invited from British or Irish nationalities only, between the ages of 18 and 35 years. Other nationalities may apply if studying at a UK horticultural training establishment. If over 35 years applicant must be within their first five years of a career in horticulture
- Please apply using the specific Merlin Trust/AGS tour scheme application from which can be downloaded from the website [www.merlin-trust.org.uk](http://www.merlin-trust.org.uk), 'Merlin Trust/AGS tour Scheme'
- **YOU MUST ENSURE YOU PROVIDE YOUR TWO WRITTEN REFERENCES WITH YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION**
- More detailed information can be found on the AGS website [www.alpinegardensociety.net](http://www.alpinegardensociety.net) 'forthcoming tours'
- **Not included** : travel Insurance, personal expenses, gratuities for service in hotels and elsewhere, drinks and other items of a personal nature

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