



## STAR-GRASS FAMILY

HYPOXIDACEAE

### Yellow Star Grass Star Grass.

*Hypoxis hirsuta.*

Found in grassy pastures and fields from May to the end of June.

The leaves and flower-stems, from 6 to 8 inches in height, rise together from the ground.

The long, narrow leaf is slightly grooved, with a marked midrib, and a strong fibre ; in color, as well as shape, it resembles the grass it grows amidst.



The 6 petal-like, pointed parts of the flower are smooth on the inside and downy without ; they spread flat to show the 6 yellow stamens ; the inside of the flower is bright yellow, the outside tinged with green. Three or four flowers grow on the summit of the slender shining green stem.

The swing of the curving leaf-blades is admirably graceful.

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