





## **"The Geophytes of Greece"**

From tulips and fritillaries to irises and orchids, get to know all the Greek beauties that have adapted to Greece's harsh climate by living underground half of their lives.

Join us for the free presentation: "The Geophytes of Greece" with Eleftherios Dariotis.

Presented by the North American Rock Garden Society, its local chapter, Sierra Rock Garden Society, and the UCCE Master Gardeners of Tuolumne County

Monday, July 15, 2019

Doors open at 6pm for Refreshments and Socializing

Speaker at 7pm

Senior Center

540 Greenley Road, Sonora

Eleftherios Dariotis (aka Liberto Dario of Facebook) is a horticulturist and botanist from Athens, Greece. He has studied plant production in Greece and completed a M.Sc. in Plant Biology from the University of California, Davis and another in Horticulture from the University of Reading in England. He has created two private gardens in Paiania, Greece which hold a large variety of Lamiaceae (mint family) and other plants, traveled extensively around the world and especially in Greece's diverse habitats to see and photograph the native plants and has worked in the agricultural and environmental public sectors in Greece. He is currently leading plant tours in Greece and maintains a small bulb and seed nursery business. His plant interests include everything in the family Lamiaceae, with a special attraction to Salvias, along with a love for South African Bulbs and Mediterranean climate shrubs and perennials that he is continuously introducing and promoting in Athens' tough local gardening conditions.

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