

## Alpine Garden Society Ulster Group

Plant of the Month, December 2022

## Hellebores from the Picos - by Joan and Liam McCaughey









As December begins, the hellebore comes into season — maybe a little early this year. The two upper pictures were taken

in the garden on the First of the month – they are of a *Helleborus foetidus* grown from seed from the Picos de Europa and just coming into flower. The (left) lower photo shows it there in its natural setting, and its relative *H. viridis* on the right.