



Garlic is a species in the onion genus, *Allium*. Its close relatives include the onion, shallot, leek, chive, and Chinese onion. It is native to Central Asia and northeastern Iran and has long been a common seasoning worldwide, with a history of several thousand years of human consumption and use. [Wikipedia](#)

**Scientific name:** *Allium sativum*

**Family:** *Amaryllidaceae*

**Higher classification:** *Allium*

**Order:** *Asparagales*

**Kingdom:** *Plantae*