# ARTIFICIAL KEY TO THE ORCHID GENERA OF THE NETHERLANDS INDIES, TOGETHER WITH THOSE OF NEW GUINEA, THE MALAY PENINSULA AND THE PHILIPPINES 

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It is often a very difficult task for the many amateurs and cultivators of Orchids, and I may add hardly in a less degree to students of the flora of the Netherlands Indies, to classify properly the Orchids they come across. The reason for this lies not only in the fact that the generic characters in this large order are often not easily distinguished, but also in the fact that nearly every genus counts a certain number of more or less anomalous species, so that the limits between the genera are not always easy to determine. Besides, many descriptions are, even in principal points, incomplete, either because the authors had no sufficiently good material at their disposal, or because they did not take the trouble to draw up good descriptions. For these reasons species are unavoidably often placed into a wrong genus, to which fact a great deal of the prevailing confusion is to be ascribed.

Although in the course of years many questions have been solved, it cannot be denied that new problems did arise. Only very accurate and complete descriptions, the best, of course, elucidated by figures after fresh or alcohol material, can put us in a position to decrease these difficulties.

In order to meet at least in some way the wishes of many, I have tried to make a key to the genera of Orchidaceae occurring in the Netherlands Indies. It is far from me to think, that I have solved with this the difficulties, alone already for the reason that I am not acquainted with some of these genera by my own study so that I have to rely in such cases upon often incomplete data, and even because the limitation of genera which I know from personal experience in some cases have not yet become quite clear to me.

It is hardly necessary to state that this key does not claim the least scientific value; it is intended only as an effort to open in some degree a way to those who want to arrange the Orchid species in the right genera. Although it is meant only for the genera of the Netherlands Indies I have included those of New Guinea, the Malay Peninsula and the Philippines.

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175. Blade of lip large and broad, fleshy, sigmoid or nearly flat, entire or shortly 3 -lobed at the top; spur pointing backward and laterally compressed; leaves usually with longitudinal pale stripes Rhynchostylis BL.
Lip 3-lobed; lobes sometimes very small; spur not or dorsally compressed; leaves without pale stripes ..... 176
176. Side lobes of lip broad, thin, more or less fimbriate or erose at the apex; pollinia on a spathulate stipes
Pennilabium J. J. S.
Side lobes not thin, not fimbriate or erose ..... 177
177. Column long, arched; lip with 2 calli... Renantherella RidL. Column short, straight or recurved ..... 178
178. Stipes of the pollinia broadened towards the base, with a large gland; leaf-sheaths warty and ciliate

$\qquad$ Hymenorchis Schutr. Stipes of the pollinia not or broadened upward; leaf-sheaths not ciliate ..... 179179. Inflorescences erect; pedunculus muriculate; rachis thickenedAscochilopsis Carr
Inflorescence usually patent or directed downward; peduncle
not muriculate, glabrous or very rarely pubescent; rachis not thickened ..... 180180. Spur usually dinected backwards or curved, inside at the basewithout appendages; midlobe thin and namrow (linear) ...
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Malleola J. J. S. et Schltr.
Spur usually incurved, the backside with longitudinal ribsor keels withinRobiquetia Gaud.
181. Inflorescence short, paniculate, wholly red; flowers verysmallPorphyrodesme Schlitr.Inflorescence simple182
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Pollinia on a narrow, linear stipes ..... 184
183. Side lobes of the lip adnate to the column ; midlobe acuminatePelatantheria Ridl.
Lip not adnate to the column; midlobe not simply acuminate
Vanda R. Br.184. Lip at the base adnate to the column; spur bilobed at theLip not adnate to the column; spur not bilobed185
185. Midlobe of lip ligulate, sidelobes erect, pressed against thecolumn
$\qquad$ Ascocentrum Schltr. Midlobe fleshy, callus-shaped; sidelobes not pressed against the column Saccolabium BL.

Oakes Ames mentions the genus Angraecum Bory for the Philippine Islands. The shape of the column and pollinia are, however, not yet sufficiently known to incorporate it in this key.

A few remarks, which may be of some interest to the users, may find a place here.
. It has become obvious to me that the expressions "convolutive" and "duplicative", which refer to the leaf vernation, are yielding difficulties to many persons. Convolutive means that the mar-
 gins of the young leaf, before it is unfolded, more or less are overlapping one another (a), duplicative that they close together (b). In both cases it may occur that, besides, the leaves are wrinkled. Duplicative, wrinkled leaves have sometimes the appearance of being convolutive (IIicrostylis, Liparis).

In the following lists I have enumerated the Orchid genera with convolutive and those with duplicative leaves.

Malayan Orchid genera with convolutive vernation.
(Names in brackets refer to saprophytic plants).

Acanthephippium Bl.
Acoridium Nees et Mey.
Anoectochilus Bl.
(Aphyllorchis Bl.)
Apostasia Bl.
Arundina Bl.
Basigyne J. J. S.
Bracisepalum J. J. S.
Caladenia R. Br.
Calanthe R. Br.
Cheirostylis Bl.
Chrysoglossum Bl.
Claderia Hook. f.
Coelogyne Lndl.
Corybas Salisb.
Corymborchis Thou.
Cryptostylis R . Br.
Cystorchis Bl.
Dendrochilum Bl. (excl. sect. Eudendrochilum)
Dicerostylis Bl.
(Didymoplexis Griff.)
Diglyphosa Bl .
Dilochia Lndl.
Disperis Sw.
Diuris Sw.
Dossinia Morr.
(Epipogum Gmel.)
Eria Lndl. sect. Goniorhabdos
Erythrodes Bl.
Eucosia Bl.
Eulophia R. Br.
Eurycentrum Schltr.
Galeola Lour.
(Gastrodia R. Br.)
Geodorum Jack
Goodyera R. Br.
Gynoglottis J. J. S.
Habenaria Wlld.
Haemaria Lndl.
Herminium L.
Herpysma Lndl.
Hetaeria Bl.
Hylophila Indl.
Kuhlhasseltia J. J. S.
(Lecanorchis Bl.)
Lepidogyne Bl.
Macodes Lndl.
Microtis R. Br.
Myrmechis Bl.
Nabaluia Ames
Nephelaphyllum Bl.
Nervilia Gaud.
Neuwiedia BI.
Odontochilus B1.
Orchipedum Breda
(Pachystoma Bl.)
Papuaea Schltr.
Peristylus Bl .
Phajus Lour.
Pholidota Lndl.
Platanthera L. C. Rich.
Platylepis Lndl.
Plocoglottis Bl.
Pristiglottis Cretz. et J. J. S.
Pseudacoridium Ames
Pscuderia Schltr.
Pterostylis R. Br.

Sigmatochilus Rolfe
(Silvorchis J. J. S.)
Spathoglottis Bl.
Spiranthes L. C. Rich.
(Stereosandra Bl.)
Tainia Bl.

Thelymitra Forst.
Tropidia Lindl.
Tubilabium J. J. S.
Vanilla Sw.
Vrydagzynea Bl.
Zeuxine Lndl.

Malayan Orchid genera with duplicative vernation.

Abdominea J. J. S.
Acampe Lndl.
Acriopsis Reinw.
Adenoncos Bl.
Aerides Lour.
Aglossorhyncha Schltr.
Agrostophyllum Bl.
Angraecum Bory
Appendicula Bl.
Arachnis Bl.
Ascocentrum Schltr.
Ascochilopsis Carr
Ascoglossum Schltr.
Bogoria J. J. S.
Bromheadia Lndl.
Bulbophyllum Thou.
Calymmanthera Schltr.
Camarotis Lndl.
Ceratochilus Bl.
Ceratostylis Bl.
Chamaeanthus Schltr.
Cheirorchis Carr
Chiloschista Lndl.
Chitonanthera Schltr.
Chroniochilus J. J. S.
Cordiglottis J. J. S.
Cymbidium Sw.
Cyperorchis Bl.
Dendrobium Sw.
Dendrochilum Bl. sect. Eudendrochilum

Dipodium R. Br.
Dryadorchis Schitr.
Epiblastus Schltr.
Eria Lndl. (excl. sect. Goniorhabdos)
Euanthe Schltr.
Gastrochilus D. Don
Glomera Bl.
Grammatophyllum Bl.
Hippeophyllum Schltr.
Hymenorchis Schltr.
Ischnocentrum Schltr.
Liparis L. C. Rich.
Luisia Gaud.
Malleola J. J. S. et Schltr.
Mediocalcar J. J. S.
Microsaccus Bl.
Microstylis Nutt.
Microtatorchis Schltr.
Oberonia Lndl.
Octarrhena Thw.
Omoea Bl.
Ornithochilus Wall.
Paphiopedilum Pfitz.
Pedilochilus Schltr.
Pelatantheria Ridl.
Pennilabium J. J. S.
Phalaenopsis Bl.
Phreatia Lndl.
Poaephyllum Ridl.
Podochilus Bl.

Polystachya Lndl.
Pomatocalpa Breda
Porpax Indl.
Porphyrodesme Schltr.
Porphyroglottis Ridl.
Renanthera Lour.
Renantherella Ridl.
Rhynchostylis Bl.
Ridleyella Schltr.
Robiquetia Gaud.
Saccolabiopsis J. J. S.

Saccolabium BI.
Sarcanthus Lndl.
Sarcochilus R. Br.
Sepalosiphon Schltr.
Taeniophyllum Bl.
Thecostele Rehb. f.
Thelasis Bl.
Thrixspermum Lour.
Trichoglottis Bl.
Vanda R. Br.
Vandopsis Pfitz.

Herpysma Ladl. This genus was based on a single species from the Himalaya Mountains, $H$. longicaulis Lndl. In 1907 Oakes Ames described a second species, $H$. Merrillii Ames, from the Philippines, but transferred it to Erythrodes Bl. in 1909 (Orch. III, 79, pl. 54), whereas Schlechier maintained it under Herpysma. Shortly C. E. Carr (in Journ. Str. Br. R. As. Soc. XI [1933], 69, pl. 1, fig. B) added a third species to the genus, viz. II. sumatrano Carr. However, there is no doubt whatever, that this species is identical with Erythrodes bracteata Schltr. (Physurus bracteatus Bl.), a plant which appears not to be rare in Sumatra. Although the coalescence of the lip with the column is only very slight and not more than in Erythrodes, I think it advisable to place the species in Herpysma for the present. Thus it should bear the name Herpysma bracteata J. J. S. n. comb. (H. sumatrana Carr, Physurus bracteatus Bl., Erythrodes bracteata Schltr.). It is not impossible that the very blunt anther forms a good generic character, as it is very different from the, so far as I know, always acuminate anther of the species of Erythrodes.

Orchipedum Breda. This genus was first described and figured by Brada in 1827 (Gen. et sp. Orch., fasc. II, t. 5). In 1858 Blume (Fl. Jav. n. ser. I, 99, t. 27, fig. 1) changed the name in Queteletia Bl., on account of the older name Orchipeda Bl. (Apocynaceae); he redescribed the only species under the name $Q$. plantaginifolia Bl . and copied Breda's plate. According to Dr J. Th. Henrard, our Dutch expert for nomenclatural affairs, there is no reason why Orchipedum Breda should not stand.

After Kuhl and van Hasselet the plant was not collected again and remained somewhat doubtful, until in 1929 it was redetected in Java
by Dr C. G. G. J. van Steenis and Mr. R. C. Bakhuzen van den Brink. Dried material and a photograph enabled me to state that the published figure and description are in general very good but that they are incorrect in a few details. In the first place the base of the lip is distinctly adnate to the column, and secondly the calli in the spur are no real calli but tufts of weak processes not unlike those which are found in the base of the lip of Platylepis Bl. and also which cover the inner surface of the ventricose part of the lip of Goodyera R . Br.

It became also clear that Orchipedum Breda covers entirely the genus Philippinaea Ames et Schltr. (in Ames Orch. VI, 1920, 278, pl. 100) from the Philippines, and that the only species should bear the name Orchipedum Wenzelii J. J. S. n. comb. (Philippinaea Wenzelii Ames et Schltr., Adenostylis Wenzelii Ames). According to the description and plate this species differs from the Javanese one in the much narrower leaves, the narrower anterior lobe of the lip and the appendages in the base of the lip being clavate.

The geographical distribution of the genus, at least so far as we know as yet, viz. one species in Java and one in the Philippines, is certainly remarkable.

Thelasis Bl. R. Schlechter has (in Laut. Beitr. zur Fl. von Papuasien IX [1923], 148) based on his sections Diplostypus and Rhynchophreatia of Phreatia, which agree with my section Hemithelasis of Thelasis, his genus Rhynchophreatia. When proposing the section Hemithelasis I have expressed the opinion that this section in future perhaps should be raised to specific rank. In this way Scieechter was thus with me.

Provisionally I think it correct to maintain the section under Thelasis, the floral structure not showing any difference with this genus, just as I have pointed out formerly. The divergence is to be found in the vegetative parts, in which the section is similar to my section Rhizophyllum or Schlechter's Eu-Phreatia of Phreatia.

Schlecriter's description of the thickening of the lip is not wholly accurate. It is not "ein deutlicher, dicker, nach hinten gerichteter Kallus am Crunde des Labellums', but a thick longitudinal ridge, which is not free at the back end, but adnate to the base of the column and with a nectary on both sides, just like in other species of Thelasis.

Chiloschista Lndl. R. Mansfeld has (in Notizbl. Berlin XI, nr. 106 (1932), 491), chiefly following Schlechter, united a few species of the
genus Sarcochilus R. Br., on which I based my section Perspicilla, with Chiloschista Lndl. I cannot follow him in this matter, as the principal differentiating character, the curious appendages of the anther, seems to me only of secondary value, which opinion is supported by the fact, that in one of the species these appendages are wholly lacking. In excluding the species which Schechtire and Mansfeld added to it, Chiloschista is a sharply limited genus, whereas the limits grow unstable in adding to it a few species with a quite other flower-structure.

Rhynchostylis Bl. Scilechter has (Orch. 1915, 587) founded his genus Anota on a few species which had been placed variously in Saccolabium, Vanda and Rhynchostylis. I have always had the idea that there was something unnatural in admitting a genus Anota next to Rhynchostylis, but for want of good material I could not judge of it definitely. Now I am much obliged to Mr. Ed. Qulsumbing, Manila, for kindly forwarding to me flowers in formaline of Rhynchostylis retusa Bl . and Anota violacea Schltr. I have failed to find any differences of generic value which would justify the maintenance of a genus Anota. In Rhynchostylis retusa Bl . there is a rather distinct but short columnfoot on which the lateral sepals are decurring, but in Anota violacea Schltr. it is not wanting, though shorter, as is clearly shown in the magnificent and accurate plate published recently by Ed. Quisumbing (in Phil. Journ. Sc., vol. 52 (1933), 271, pl. 1-3). The insertion of the lip, the column and pollinia do not show any essential characters, so that the Philippine species should bear the name Rhynchostylis violacea Rchb. f.

There appear to exist some differences between the specimens of Rhynchostylis retusa in Java and in the Philippines. Quisumbing describes the flowers as odourless, whereas in Java they are strongly fragrant, and he describes the petals as oblong-ovate and rounded, whereas they show in the Java specimens exactly the same form as in Quisumbing's figure of Anota violacea.

