

*Dendrochilum magnum 'Royale'* - Peter & Jane D'Olier

*Dendrochilum magnum* – commonly called the large *Dendrochilum* & you can see why! Endemic to the Philippines it grows in mossy forests at elevations of 1600 - 2000m.

What an elegant specimen this plant matures into when grown well, as it is by both Peter & Jane and Lee. The 50cm inflorescence has a majestic presentation with a straight stem and a gently cascading 'tail' covered in many 1.5cm flowers which apparently have a sweet wheaty/spicy fragrance. The pseudobulbs can reach 25cm with leaves also to 25cm.

In general, these plants do not tolerate root damage, so during repotting they should be handled very gently. [IOSPE travaldo.blogspot](http://IOSPE travaldo.blogspot)



◀ *Oberonia crateriformis*  
Peter & Jane D'Olier.  
Commonly referred to as the Cratered Fairy orchid (in reference to the crater-like depression on the lip). Found in north-eastern Queensland from Mount Misery to Eungella from sea-level to 700 m. Described by DL Jones & MA Clem in 2006. A mini-miniature sized hot to warm growing epiphyte or lithophyte. With an inflorescence of 5 – 15cm long with numerous whorls of 8 to 10 dainty 1.5mm flowers. IOSPE



(Syn. *Trichoglossum stellatum*)

\*FS = Flower size based on IOSPE



*Blc.* Toshie Aoki



*Blc.* Erin Kobayashi



*Sc.* Mem. Edna Gooseteny



*Lc.* Mari's Song x *Sc.* Beaufort

*Aerides houletteana*. This is a medium to large sized, hot to warm growing species from Thailand, Vietnam & Cambodia. It grows in evergreen, semi-deciduous & deciduous, dry lowland forests from sea-level to 700 meters. The pendulous inflorescence can reach 40cm long & carry 12 to 20 flowers ranging from 1.9 to 2.5cm. The flowers are reportedly quite fragrant with a scent of citrus & spice.

The plant is Vanda like in appearance with a single stem covered with tightly packed opposing leaves that fan out in a single plane 15 – 20cm long, 5cm wide.

These are best grown in hanging baskets in free draining media or mounted. **IOSPE**



*Lycaste aromatica x deppei*



*Den. Candy Stripe x Den. phalaenopsis*



*Sc. Lana Coryell*



*Brasavola nodosa*

*Oncidium harrisonianum* (syn. *Oncidium auricula*). What an amazing display! Not that it looks like it based on the explosion of flowers but this is listed as a

miniature to small sized lithophytic or epiphytic cold to cool growing species, the smallest of the 'mule-eared' Oncidiinae. Obviously no one told **T&P**'s plant it might be a miniature! KOS' benching guidelines classify a miniature orchid as one with a flower width of 12mm or less and a raceme that does not exceed 200mm.



The plant pictured had *flowers ~1.6cm with racemes up to 30cm* so it would not have been benched as a miniature. **T&P** have clearly found a very happy place for their spectacular specimen!

**IOSPE** reports a flower size of 5-6mm whereas [OrchidWiz](#) says flowers are 1.6cm, both sources report racemes can be between 12.5 to 30cm long, branched at the base, with up to 40 flowers. The pseudobulbs are 1.7 – 2.5cm tall & almost as wide & range from elliptical to almost round with a prominent ridge on either side. Leaves are usually about 6.5cm but can be up to 15cm long & are covered with minute gray spots.

Originating in Brazil in São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Espírito Santo, and Minas Gerais, seldom found outside the elevation band of 1000-1100 meters on moss covered tree trunks in forests, near streams. [IOSPE](#) [OrchidWiz](#)



*Trichocentrum Windward Beauty*. There are 33 epiphytic species of *Trichocentrum* found from Mexico to southern Brazil. *Trichocentrum*'s major distinction from other *Oncidiinae* is the floral spur which is part of the lip and not an extension of the column as in other *Oncidiinae*. [IOSPE](#)



*Dendrobium Samarai*



*Vascostylis Alice's Anie*



*Spathoglottis longifolia*



*Aerangis mystacidii*

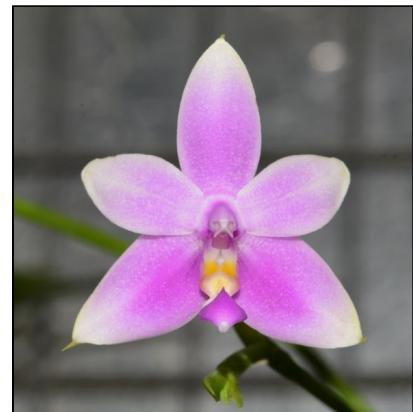


*Diplocaulobium regale* - morning



*Diplocaulobium regale* - afternoon

← the difference in colour & shape of this short lived flower is shown at either end of the day  
Thanks Jane!



*Phalaenopsis mentawaiensis*



*Laelia gloedeniana*



*Dendrobium mutabile*



*Bulb. exiguum* \*FS 1.25cm



*Dendrobium cumulatum* 'Pink'



*Zga. Freestyle Meadows* 'Tiya' x *Holdfast Bay* 'Meadow Mist'



*Restrepia guttulata* 'Hoffmann'  
P&J D'Olier \*species FS 1.75 - 5cm



*Coelogyne speciosa* 'Aurea'  
Peter & Jane D'Olier



*Restripia trichoglossa*  
Peter & Jane D'Olier \*FS 3cm



*Cattleya* Chocolate Drop  
'Kodama' - Lina Huang



*Ascda* Lenakamolpun x *Ascda* Vilas  
Lina Huang



*Guaricattonia* Dash of Brandy  
'Gem' - Lina Huang



*Cattleya* Fitz Eugene Dixon  
Lee Payne



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Lina Huang



*Ascda* Jakkrit Gold x  
V. Patcharee Delight - Lina Huang



*Bulb. dearii* - Jim Brydie



*Phal. tetrapteris* - Jim Brydie



*Galeandra lacustris* - Jim Brydie



Rlc. Mahina Yahirō – [Lee Payne](#)

With apologies to Lee – I swapped the names of two of her beauties last month.

Jim featured Mahina in the bulletin but I thought I would show them both with their correct names in case anyone added them to a wish list.



Rlc. Swan's Song – [Lee Payne](#)



LC. Mini Purple

'Tamami' (M)

[Kitt Reyes](#)

*Dendrobium trantuanii* Another intriguing & beautiful orchid grown by [Gowan Stewart](#). This is the first time this little cutie has flowered for Gowan who describes it as “*a delightful small growing orchid with flowers like shiny plastic. It comes from Vietnam.*”



Perusing the internet for more info on this little gem, the plant itself, as well as the flower make it fascinating. Dendrobiums come in all shapes & sizes & the pseudobulbs can be a key distinguishing feature as Jim has explained in previous bulletins in relation to the Callista Dendrobiums. *Den. Trantuanii* has a really flat pseudobulb with each segment pinching in at either end producing a very characteristic undulating shape. I have never seen a ‘flat’ pseudobulb like this this but I came across a couple of others on the internet



including *Den. platycaulon* commonly known as ‘Flat Pseudobulb Dendrobium’ sometimes listed as a synonym of *Den. platigastrium* & slightly less flattened *Den. linawianum*. I have included a photo to the right from the [newworldorchids](#) site of a more mature *Den. trantuanii* which shows the fanning growth habit & shape of multiple pseudobulbs.

Photo from [newworldorchids](#)



*Den. trantuanii*

With what is described as a slight peppery perfume, the 4 – 5cm flowers have very substantive, waxy, pastel pinkish coloured petals & sepals with an almost metallic sheen providing a striking contrast to the rich, luxurious textures & colours of the lip which looks like a deep pile velvet with a shiny strip in the centre. A feast for the senses of the pollinator! In its native environment it is found in evergreen forests at elevations of 800 to 1000 meters as a small, warm growing epiphyte. [IOSPE](#)



*Stanhopea gravolens x 2* – [Jenny Richardson](#)



Gorgeous colourful blooms from the garden of Lina Huang



Wilsonara Tan Treasures 'Brown Sugar'



Phalaenopsis Unknown



Miltassia Charles M. Fitch 'Izumi'



Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Rainbow'



Oncidium Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee'



← *Haraella retrocalla* What an absolute little cutie this is, with 1.5-2cm flowers this miniature sized epiphytic species is native to Taiwan & grows in ancient forests. [IOSPE](#) reports these can be found at elevations of 1000 to 2200 meters whereas [OrchidWiz](#) states 500-1500m. Considering the size of the plant the flowers are relatively large & each inflorescence can have up to 4 citrusy scented flowers but only 2 in bloom at a time. Lina's bloom is ~2cm.

*Miltoniopsis Amber's Cream 'Cream Puff'* →

*Miltoniopsis* often present with very distinctive patterning but the clarity in this one is simply stunning - gorgeous Lina!



Miltonia Queen Ann



Cymbidium dayanum



Nestled in the leaves of a Star Jasmine

*Epidendrum x 3 – Jenny Richardson* Commonly called the crucifix orchid, the orange plant is the common rambling form of this reed stemmed *Epidendrum* with canes over a meter long & inflorescences 55-60cm & flowers 3.1cm. Lovely, vibrant, long lasting pops of colour in the garden but a rather a messy looking plant. The purple plant is much more compact with canes ~35cm & inflorescences of 25 – 30cm, flowers 1.9 cm. There are 6 spikes on it which have flowered sequentially, one fades & another blooms so it has been in flower for over 6 months.

There are 1659 known species of *Epidendrum* including terrestrial, lithophytic & epiphytic species so you need to check where a plant originates & it's native habitat to get the culture correct. *Epi. secundum* grows easily in Sydney, reliably producing cute little pom-poms of flowers that last for ages but beware - Dendrobium beetles seem to find them particularly tasty! There are many beautiful hybrids available with more compact plants & much larger flowers.



*Lc. Susan Holcombe 'Yellow & Red'*  
Jenny Richardson



*C. Pink Spice 'Mystery' x Rlc. Burdekin Bells 'Mary'*  
Jenny Richardson



*Phalaenopsis Spica*  
Kitt Reyes



*Miltonia Goodale Moir*  
'Golden Wonder' - Jenny Richardson



*Galeopetalum Arlene Armour*  
'Conching' - Kitt Reyes

An alluring selection from the garden of Lee Payne



← This gorgeous plant is labelled *Paph. Honey* however, based on the colouring & shape it has been suggested it may be *Paph. Transvaal* or *Paph. Vanguard*. A stunning & well grown flower regardless of what you call it!



*Paphiopedilum spicerianum*  
Growing at elevations of 300 to 2000 m as a hot to cool growing terrestrial or sometimes lithophytic species IOSPE



*Diplodium truncatum*  
(RHS Kew accepted name  
*Pterostylis truncata*)

Wildlife tipped the pot over, hand picked the bulbs, yet there are an additional four growing LP



*Maxillaria triloris*  
1 flower opened and 8+ flower buds  
\*FS 11.25 cm



*Cymbidium Erythrostylum* - first time blooming with two flower spikes, just opened. I believe there are spots within the labellum but its not showing at the moment LP



*Oncidium Sharry Baby* 'Sweet Fragrance'



*Lc. Angel Heart 'Hihimanu'*



*Phalaenopsis equestris x 2* \*FS 1.5 – 3cm



*C. Loddigesii 'Impassionata'*

A beautiful array of blooms from the home of DL



*Stanhopea graveolens*



*Cattleya Hawaiian Wedding Song*



*Dendrobium tiongii*



*Dendrobium Kuniko*



*Miltonia moreliana 'Big Ben'*



*Isochilus linearis*



*Dendrobium regium*



*Cattleya Caudabec Candy*



*Miltonia regnellii (hybrid?)*



*Onc. Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'*



*Gomesa crispa*



*Brassia Rex*



*Gongora galeata*



*Pptm. Kiwi Leopard 'Spots' x Z. Titanic 'Anlee'*



*Liparis reflexa*