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Liparis coelogyroides L & B Dobson

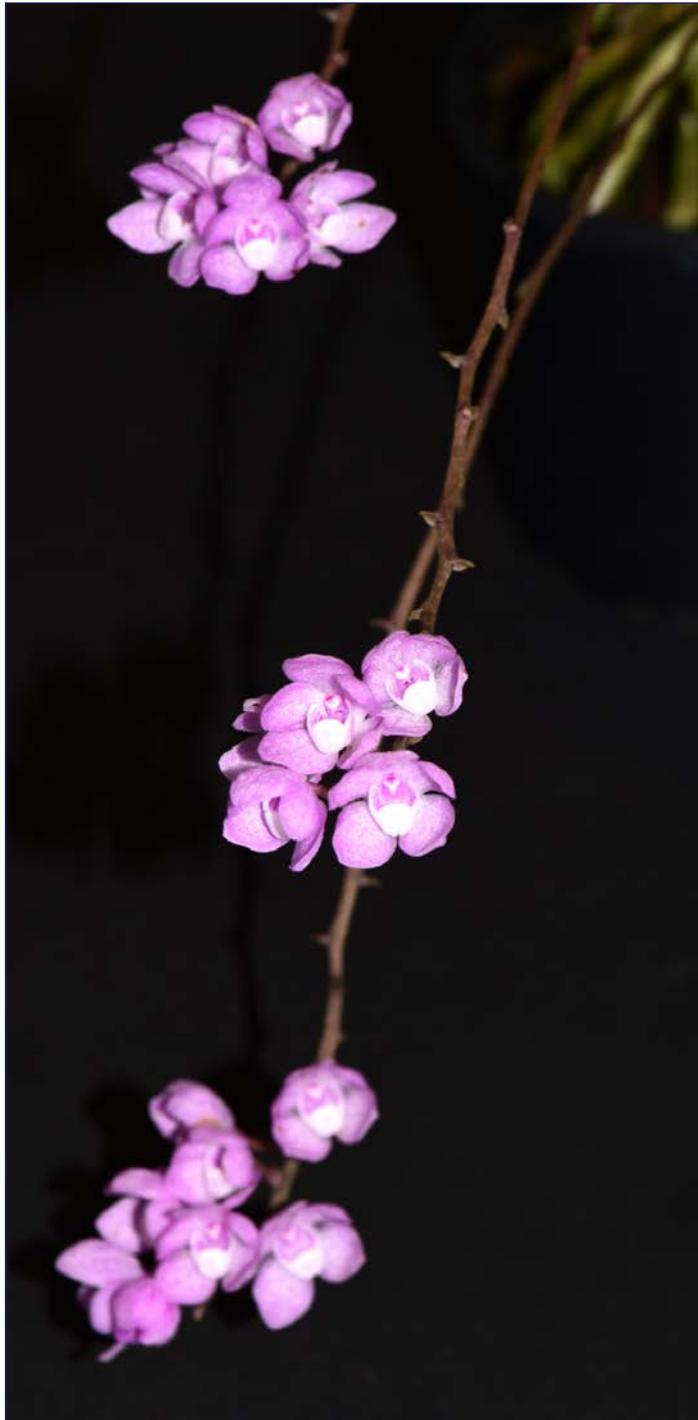


Saccolabiopsis armitii David Hemmings



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Tuesday 15th February 2022



Sarcochilus ceciliae David Hemmings



Dendrobium toressae Jane & Peter D'olier



Sarcochilus ceciliae David Hemmings



Coelogyne fragrans Cary Polis



Phaius pictus

Bushwalk in the New Year

One of my wishes over the last 25 years is to see more orchids in flower in the wild.

So when I had the opportunity to see one of the most striking in full flower I set about planning to do just that. However, this nearly came unstuck at the last moment when my daughter Barbara who works in childcare became a close contact with a fellow employee who had tested positive to Covid-19. We had to find a place to get tested and then wait. Fortunately all worked out well and we only missed a week.

We got up at 5:00 am had a bowl of cereal and made some coffee to take with us and packed some lunch and water as we had to travel for a while until we reached where the orchids, which I hoped would be in full flower, were. One positive aspect of delaying the trip meant that instead of probable rain was that the day dawned clear and mild.

Arriving at our destination we checked our gear, snacks and water and set out on a track that had dried out after weeks of rain but still had muddy patches. The foliage of plants was dry which probably meant that we would not be bothered by leaches as we had on a previous reconnoiter 8 weeks earlier that had prompted this trip.

Within a short time we found our first subject and all those dreams came to reality as the plant was in beautiful condition and in full flower. The subject *Calanthe triplicata*, the Christmas orchid. A single inflorescence, tall upright and flowers in good conditions which was unusual. The plant itself was in great condition with clean glossy leaves that were pest free.

As we proceeded further on more plants came into view and as is usual when plants are flowering they appear to stand out like a light has been switched on and plants that had been previously hidden now stood out like a beacon. There were single plants here and there, but more and more clumps came into view on both sides of the track and cameras came out and pictures taken.

The bush was quiet as we were first on the track with only the call of birds to disturb the solace apart from a small wallaby

or two. The only problem at this time of the year was the humidity and our time for the round trek was approximately 2 hours for the approximately 3 km that by halfway through saw us soaked with sweat.

There were other plants spotted along the walk, but not in flower including *Plectorrhiza tridentata*, *Bulbophyllum exiguum*, *Bulbophyllum shepherdii* *Cymbidium suave*, *Sarcochilus falcatus*, and *Dockrillia pugioniformis*.

The day was all I had hoped it would be and after a light lunch of noodles and fruit we started our trek home.

Bill Dobson

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Calanthe triplicata Bill Dobson





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Sarcochilus eriochilus L & B Dobson



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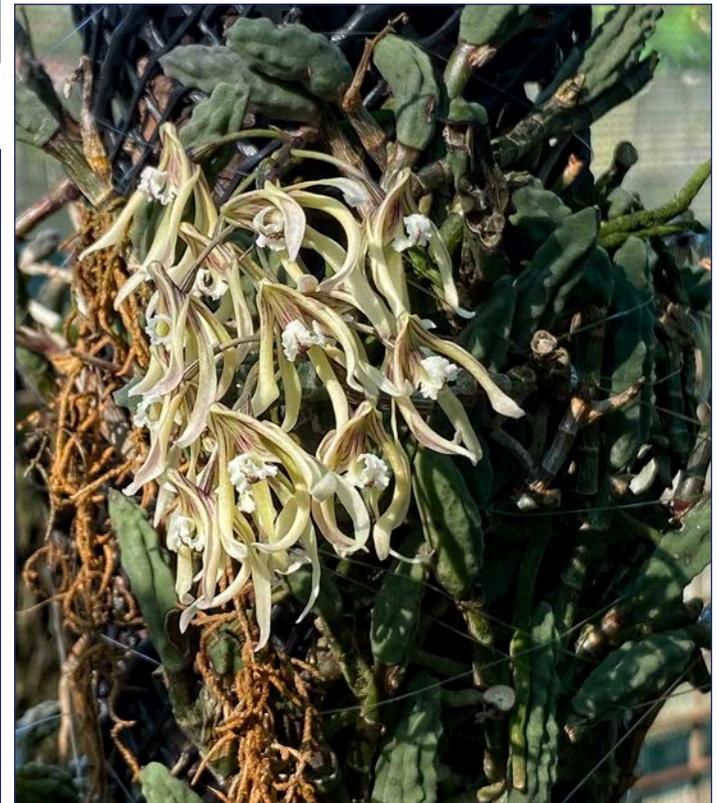
Cadetia taylori L & B Dobson



Sarcochilus eriochilus L & B Dobson



Dockrillia Limestone L & B Dobson



Dockrillia cucumerina L & B Dobson



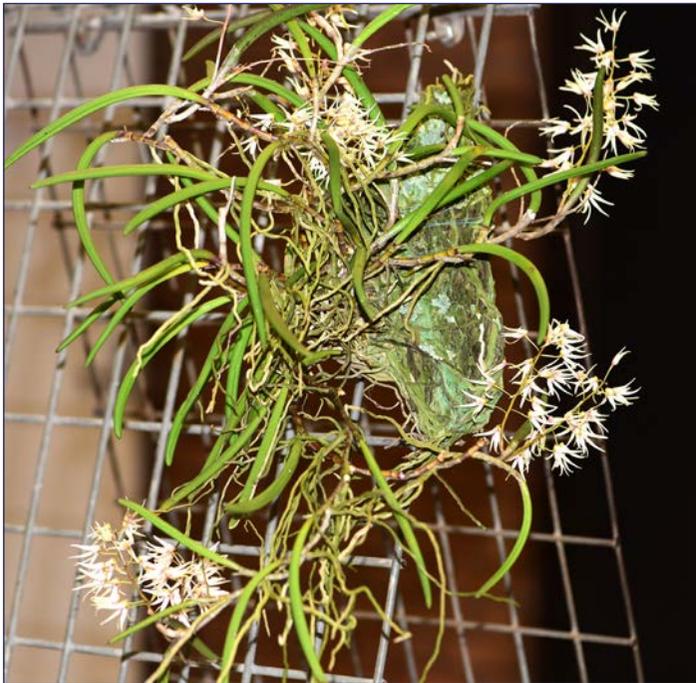
Liparis nugentae Trish Peterson



Cymbidium madidum Jim Hemmings



Dendrobium tangerinum P & J D'olier



Dockrillia bayseana x nugentii David Hemmings



Cymbidium madidum R G Blaxland



Coeloglyne fragrans Cary Polis



Pholidota imbricata David Hemmings



Dendrobium Microchip David Hemmings



Dendrobium Kuranda Pixie x canaliculatum P & J D'olier

ANOS Warringah Monthly Benching Results - December 2021

1. Dockrillia species

- 1st *Dendrobium toressae*
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

2. Dendrobium species

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

3. Sarcanthinae species

- 1st *Saccolabiopsis armitii*
- 2nd *Sarcochilus ceciliae*
- 3rd *Sarcochilus ceciliae*

4. Bulbophyllum species

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

5. Miscellaneous species

- 1st *Cymbidium madidum*
- 2nd *Cymbidium madidum*
- 3rd *Liparis nugentae*

6. Dendrobium Hybrids

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

7. Sarcanthinae Hybrids

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

8. Miscellaneous Hybrids

- 1st *Dockrillia bayseana x nugentii*
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

9. Australasian species

- 1st *Dendrobium tangerinum*
- 2nd *Coelogyne fragrans*
- 3rd *Pholidota imbricata*

10. Australasian Hybrids

- 1st *Den. Kuranda Pixie x canaliculatum*
- 2nd *Den. Microchip*
- 3rd *Den. Unknown*

11. Novice & Junior

- P & J D'olier 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

12. Pterostylis species

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

13. Other terrestrials

- D. Hemmings 1st Nil
- D. Hemmings 2nd Nil
- D. Hemmings 3rd Nil

14. Terrestrial hybrids

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

15. Best specimen

- Jim Hemmings 1st Nil
- R. G. Blaxland 2nd Nil
- Trish Peterson 3rd Nil

16. Best First Flowering seedling

- 1st Nil
- 2nd Nil
- 3rd Nil

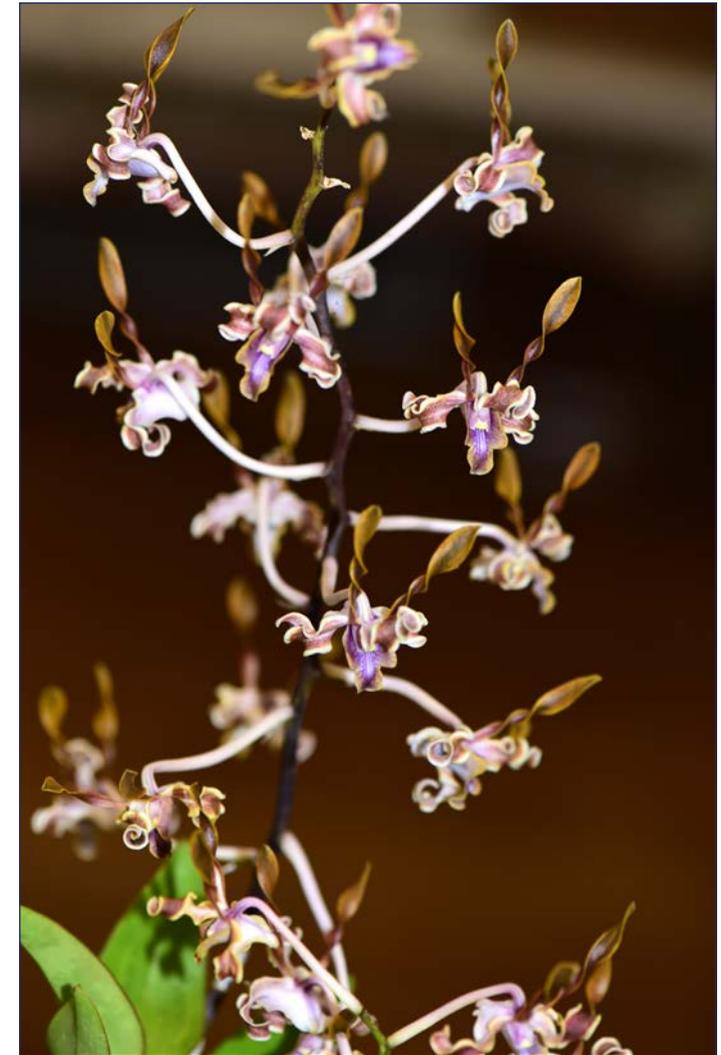
D. Hemmings

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Sarcochilus hillii Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium unknown P & J D'olier



Dendrobium capitisyork L & B Dobson

While this orchid is most commonly known as *Dendrobium tetragonum* (var. *giganteum*). It also is more recently recognized as *Dendrobium capitisyork*.

Dendrobium capitisyork is found from Mackay to Cape York in Queensland, and nominally the warmest growing of the species, though it can be found from 50m up to 800m.

We grow our *Dendrobium tetragonum* shadier area of our bushhouse they bloom and grow wonderfully. They do require humidity and mostly found around watercourses.



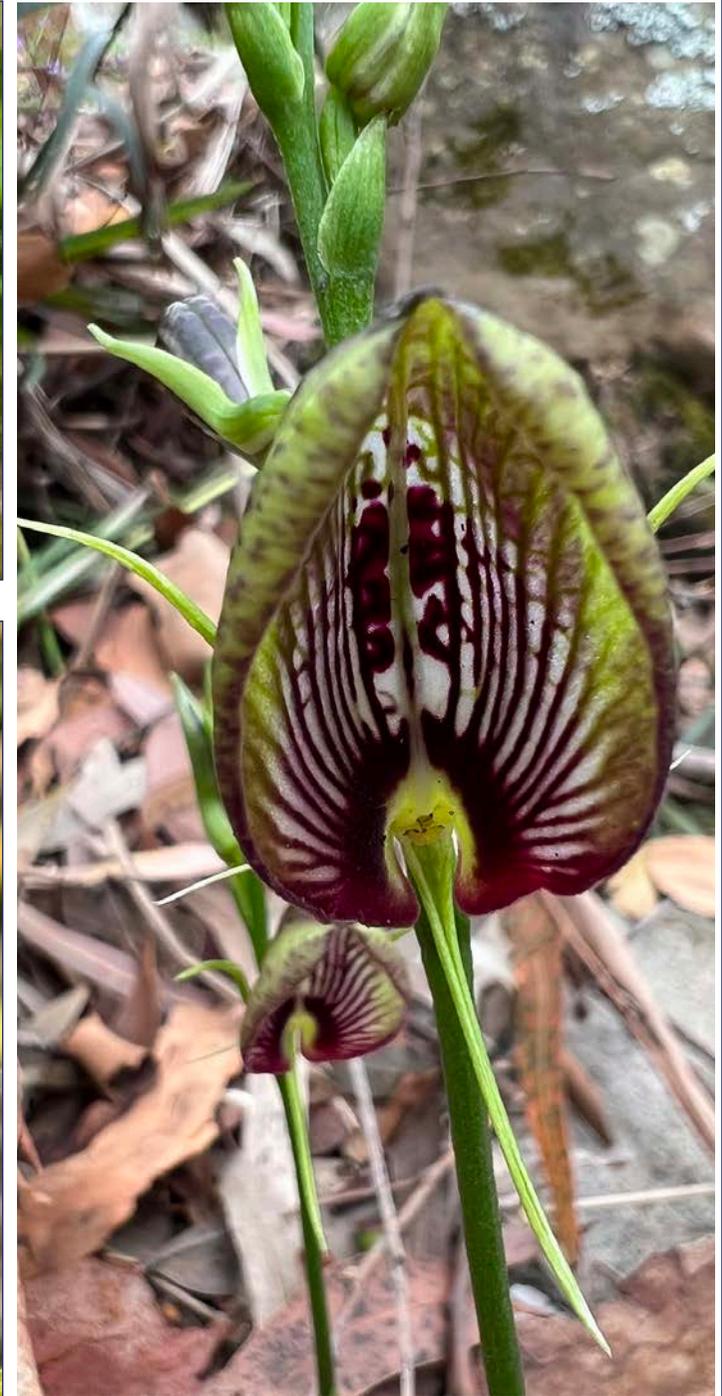
Dendrobium affine Cameron Lanceley



Bulbophyllum lageniforme Erik Lielkajis



Taeniophyllum lobatum Erik Lielkajis



Cryptostylus erecta Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium speciosum var. *blackdownense* L & B Dobson



Taeniophyllum malianum Erik Lielkajis



Cryptostylus subulata Cameron Lanceley



Cryptostylus subulata Cameron Lanceley



Cadetia taylori Erik Lielkajis



Dendrobium Hilda Poxon L & B Dobson



Sarcochilus hirticalcar Trish Peterson



Mediocalcar decoratum Trish Peterson



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La Niña Summer in Sydney

The heavy rainfall and humidity caused by la Niña is creating vigorous growth in the bush and the waterways around Sydney are full and fast-flowing.

We have been washed out on a couple of bushwalking attempts, however we had a successful visit to the Somersby Falls area on the Central Coast where the waterfall was spectacular following all the rain.

The walking tracks nearby were flooded, however we spotted some *Cryptostylis subulata* (Cow Orchid), some *Dipodium variegatum* (Blotched Hyacinth Orchid) and in the Lane Cove National Park we found *Cryptostylis erecta* (Bonnet Orchid). All of these orchids are common in the Sydney area, however it is always gratifying to find them in flower.

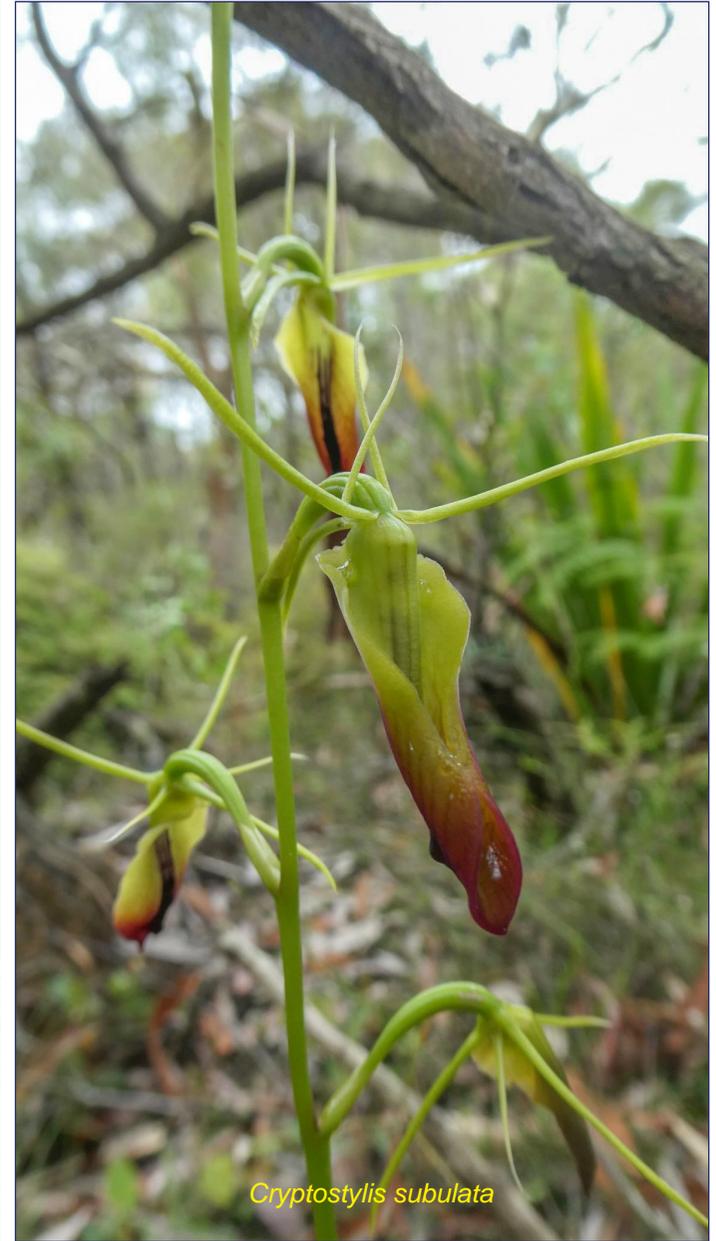
We were amused to see the birdlife also taking shelter from the downpour in the Lane Cove National Park...a magpie, a brush turkey and up in the rafters, a kookaburra.

Trish Peterson

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Dipodium variegatum





Dendrobium Hilda Poxon Yin and Sau-wan Chan



Sarcophilus ceciliae Yin and Sau-wan Chan



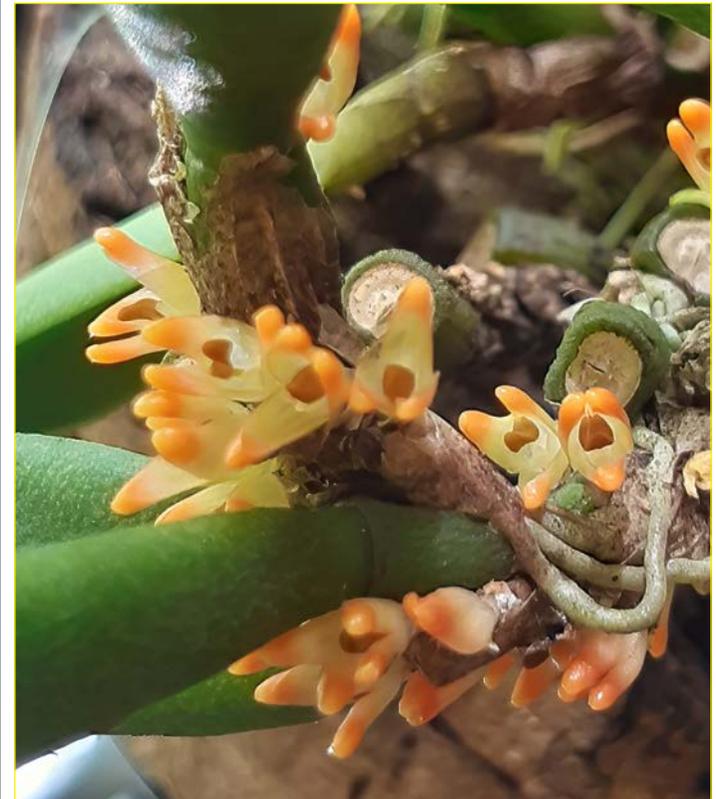
Dendrobium tetragonum Trish Peterson



Plectochilus Sunrise Yin and Sau-wan Chan



Sarcophilus Velvet Yin and Sau-wan Chan



Bulbophyllum schillerianum Trish Peterson



Dendrobium Red Center Yin and Sau-wan Chan