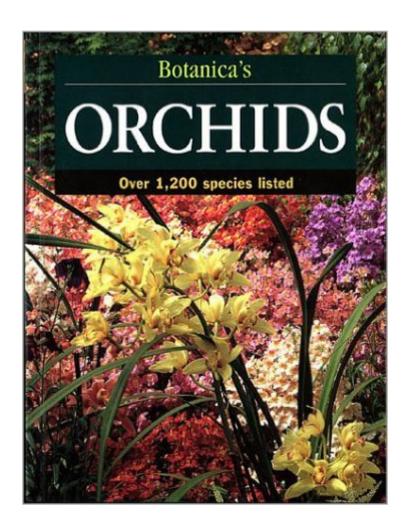
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# Botanica's Orchids: Over 1200 Species (Botanica's Gardening Series)





## **Synopsis**

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### Customer Reviews

Being a student orchid show judge I need to familiarise myself with as many species as possible and I need a quick and easy reference book for that purpose. The Botanica book is superb, it has just enough cultural information to get me by and helps me gain knowledge of a larger range of orchid species than any other book in my collection. I do wish there was a little more cultural information on each species but this is the best on the market so far. I take it to my orchid shows and I can't recommend it highly enough for both the novice and experience orchid keeper.

Gorgeous book at a reasonable price! Great photos, good representation of many species. Not all intergenerics represented. Brief descriptions of care - may want to cross-reference with other books

for in-depth care.

This compact guide provides straight to the point advice on identifying and growing the huge range of orchids. Each listed species has an accompanying full-color picture which makes identification really easy. Information on climate and cultivation of each species takes the guess-work out of deciding whether a hobbyist would be successful with growing it. Add to this the reasonable price and easy to carry size, this is a must for both beginner and intermediate hobbyists.

This is an excellent book for anyone who collects orchids. The great color photos allow you to identify what you have at least to genus and often to species. There are many more orchid species and varieties than in this book, but this is thick as it is. The genera are arranged alphabetically which is helpful.

This book is a terrific encyclopedia of orchids. Unfortunately it has not kept up with the galloping taxonomists who make life for the serious grower. It is inexpensive and of all the "Encyclopedias" published through 2008 the least expensive, the most jam-packed---but not enough for the serious grower aspiring to becoming a an AOS judge--though it would be a good study tool.. The world is moving to computerized systems to keep up with the changes in orchid naming. Matt Cohen Zen of Watering Your Garden

although this is an American publication the principals don't change of orchid growing and as many of the the same species are grown in Australia the information is quite helpful. very happy with the purchase

This is an excellent book and should be in the home of any orchid enthusiast that enjoys species. There are over 1200 species listed with color photos. This helps make identification much easier. Since I have had my book for only a few days it is still in excellent condition but others I know who have purchased this title have had a problem with the paper cover coming loose. Also, some of their pages have seperated. Hopefully the quality of this one will be better but even if not then I would purchase it again.

Orchids are an everyday hobby and I have lots of references on them. I use this as a guide and identifier often. I didn't buy it to be an overview on everything orchids just for the above and it is

great for that purpose. If you know about orchids there is no single reference and it is a study that is always changing. I enjoy this book and recommend it these are your needs.

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