

Ground Orchid, Spathoglottis Plicata (Purple) - Plant



Spathoglottis plicata or Ground orchid, native of South-eastern Asia to the Philippines, is the common species of Orchid which blooms round the year.

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Description

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This easily grown terrestrial herb has pretty, arching broad leaves with prominent parallel veins and a few or large cluster of small flowers at the end of a long stalk as tall as 1 metre arising from a basal leaf axil. The leaves emerge from round pseudo bulbs that become increasingly multiple and larger as the orchid matures.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Ground Orchid	White, Violet/Lavender, Light pink, Orange-Yellow.	Round the year.	2 feet.	Easy.

Planting and care

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full sun to partial shade.	Orchid mixes or a combination of orchid mix and soil-less potting mix for general potted plants.	Keep soil moist throughout the growing season	They like to live in the high 80s during the day and no cooler than 50 F. (10 C.) at night.	Use any organic fertilizer

Caring for Ground Orchid

- Attach a bamboo stake to the orchid's spike when it reaches around 12 inches tall with orchid spring clips spaced every 2 inches.
- Orchids need ample water but should be allowed to dry out some between waterings.
- One way to check for watering is by poking your finger about an inch into the growing media.
- If it is dry, give it some water; otherwise, let it be. Indoor orchid plants also need adequate humidity, about fifty to seventy percent.
- There are various ways to increase the humidity in your home.
- Place a water-filled saucer or tray of pebbles beneath plants, mist plants daily, or use a humidifier.

Typical uses of Ground Orchid

Special features:

Ornamental use: Ground Orchids can do well in your flower beds almost year round. Ground orchids can be grown as potted plants.

References

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