

COFFS HARBOUR ORCHID SOCIETY

GENERAL INDEX OF BOOKS

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Title	Author	Contents	Publisher and Date
Countries other than Australia			
Introduction to the Orchids of Asia	Mark L Isaac-Williams	An easily accessible reference to help identify many of the unusual species found in this area	Angus & Robertson NSW 1988
Genus Encyclia in Mexico	Robert L Dressler and Glenn E Pollard	Overview of Genus, sub-genus, natural hybridization and excluded or dubious species	Asociacion Mexicana de Orquideologia AC Mexico 2 nd Edition (revised) 1976
Orchids of Papua New Guinea – an introduction	Andree Millar	This is not a botanical work rather the first attempt to produce a pictorial and geographical record of some of the orchids of PNG	Australian National University Press Canberra 1978
Exotic Orchids			
Exotic Orchids Successful Indoor Gardening	Wilma Rittershausen (Editor)	Introduction, Easy to Grow, Moderately Easy to Grow, Difficult to Grow.	Salamander Books London 1989
Exotic Orchids in Australia How to grow hundreds of species	David L Jones	Practical information on cultivation, propagation, pest and diseases (their identification and control). 230 species are illustrated and accompanied by descriptive text.	Reed New Holland NSW 1998

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101 Easy to Grow Orchids	Wilma and Brian Rittershausen	Practical and informative guide with some excellent photos but it is written for the northern hemisphere so need to be mindful of differences in temperatures and overall conditions.	Reader's Digest London 2004
A Book for Orchid Lovers	HF Lambert, K Staples and S Monkhouse (editors)	Practical information on cultivation, propagation, pest and diseases (their identification and control). The main genus is given special attention.	Orchid Club of South Australia Torrens Park 1976
A New Book for Orchid Lovers	HF Lambert, J Lewis, MR Chenoweth and R Nicolle (editors)	An updated version of the above covering natural habitat, type of orchid house, care and cultivation, etc.	Orchid Club of South Australia Adelaide 1984
A Year of Orchids	Clifton Pugh with text by Campbell and David Beardsell	Orchids of the Yarra River system and ranges north and east of Melbourne. Paintings and text are arranged in order of flowering time, first in seasons and then in months.	Richard Griffin South Melbourne 1983
Art and Craft of Growing Orchids	Leslie Bowen	A number of species selected as most suitable for beginners, together with basic facts on the conditions each needs.	G P Putnam's Sons New York 1976
Flora's Orchids	David Banks and Andrew Perkins (Consultants)	More than 1500 plants covering history and taxonomy, cultivation, pest and diseases, plus climatic conditions for each species.	ABC Books Gardening Australia 2005
Gardener's Guide to Growing Orchids	Wilma and Brian Rittershausen	Complete guide to cultivation and care, advice on growing and displaying orchids indoors, under glass and outdoors in temperate and tropical areas.	Anness Publishing London 2008
Gardener's Guide to Growing Your Own Orchids	Wilma Rittershausen (editor)	Easy to follow instructions for growing 150 of the world's most beautiful flowers – easy, moderate and challenging.	Salamander Books London 1988
Growing Orchids in Australia	Terry Cook	Cultural methods most suited to a wide range of easily grown orchids, together with alternative potting mediums, pests and diseases and an annual calendar for care of the collection.	Golden Press Sydney 1989

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Growing Orchids in Australia and New Zealand	Gordon C Morrison	Highlighting orchid culture and biology. Obtaining, housing and caring for orchids.	Kangaroo Press Kenthurst NSW 1982
Growing Your Own Orchids	Wilma Rittershausen	An ideal book for beginners – growth patterns, cultivation and propagation. Very well illustrated.	Lansdown Press Sydney 1982
A Guide to Orchids of the World (signed copy)	Margaret Hodgson, Roland Paine, Neville Anderson	Parts of an Orchid, Classification, Habitats, Pollination, Propagation, Genera, Pests and Diseases.	Collins/Angus and Robertson Australia 1991
Home Orchid Growing 4th Edition (revised)	Rebecca Tyson Northen	Basic habits and structure, genetics and breeding, seedlings, divisions of the Orchidaceae, pests and diseases, orchid houses.	Simon & Schuster New York 1990
How to Grow Orchids	Sunset Editorial Staff	Dispelling the mystery of orchid growing with simple guidelines for success.	Sunset Books California 1974
International Book of Orchids	P Francis Hunt	Introduction to the botany and horticulture of orchids, where and how to grow orchids, the orchid trade and societies, plants for the amateur grower,	Marshall Cavendish London 1979
Miniature Orchids	Rebecca Tyson Northen	Cultivation of smaller plants particularly for growth in restricted areas, together with an encyclopedia of representative species.	Van Nostrand Reinbold New York 1980
Modern Orchid Growing – for Pleasure and Profit	Walter K Harris (ed)	Lectures from the 10 th Australian Orchid Conference 1986 covering Cymbidiums, ANO, Orchid Species and Conservation, Miscellaneous Orchids and Judging. An advanced text.	Orchid Club of South Australia – self published 1987
Orchids	David P Banks	Practical advice on cultivation, propagation and including a dictionary of some 150 orchid species and hybrids with detailed information on their growing and maintenance needs.	Murdoch Books Sydney 2004
Orchids	David Menzies	Pictorial, introduction, climates and habitats of Europe, the Americas, Africa, Tropical Asia and Australia, hybrids.	Bison Group London 1991
Orchids for the Australian Garden	Keith Irvine	Easy to follow guide on growing conditions for various groups of orchids in the open or under glass.	Bay Books Sydney

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Orchids in Australia	Ronald Kerr	Commemorating the 50 th year of publication of the Australian Orchid Review with a selection of articles published over that time.	Graphic World Pty Ltd Sydney 1986
Orchid Basics	Brian and Sara Rittershausen	Basic Care, potting, propagation, pests and diseases, and popular plants.	Pyramid Gardening Hamlyn London 2008
Orchids of the Cape York and Jardine River Areas	Dr P S Lavarack	Study Area, environment, expeditions, and discussion.	Queensland National Parks and Wildlife Service 1986
Orchids in Colour	Brian & Wilma Rittershausen	Photographs and history of various genus.	Blandford Press London 1984
Orchid Culture – By Leading North Coast Growers (2nd Edition)	Editor N W Harris	Basic requirements for the beginner. Covering Cattleyas, Cymbidiums, SC/HC/Nobile Dendrobiums, Natives, Sarcochilus, Ondontoglossum, Paphs, and Vanda, plus some general hygiene and judging criteria.	Woodburn Orchid Society Clarence Press Maclean Undated
Orchid Culture – Some Sound Advice	Reg Shooter (editor)	Introduction for new growers – articles on various genus, potting mixes, flasking/deflasking, virus.	Orchid Club of South Australia Adelaide 1993
Orchids for Everyone	Brian Williams (principal author)	Practical guide to the home cultivation of over 200 varieties, equipment and techniques, pests and diseases, helpful hints.	Treasure Press London 1984
Orchid Growing Guide	Stefan Mager	Laminated fold-out comprehensive overview covering characteristics, growing conditions, pests and diseases, plus most popular orchids.	Aracaria Guides
Orchid Grower's Manual	Gordon C Morrison	A detailed orchid grower's primer on how a plant grows, what it needs and how it fits best into its environment. Part textbook and part reference source for more advanced growers.	Kangaroo Press Kenthurst NSW 1988
Orchids as House Plants 2nd Edition (revised)	Rebecca Tyson Northen	Windows, artificial light, potting mature plants, seedlings, ailments and diseases, varieties.	Dover Publications New York 1976
Orchids – Month by Month	Ralph Handcock and Margaret Smith	Step-by-step guide to the care of the most popular genera grown in temperate climates	Dymocks Book Arcade Sydney
Orchid Seedling Care	Rob Gordon	Everything you need to know, with an emphasis on water quality.	Laid Back Publications California USA 1991

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Orchid Whisperer (The)	Bruce Rogers	Expert secrets for growing beautiful orchids. Buying, Growing, Easy to Grow Orchids, Decorating and Fragrance.	Chronicle Books California USA 2012
Orchids – Wonders of Nature	Takashi Kijima	Photographic collection showing different phases of maturity of wild orchids with textual commentary	Salamander Books London 1987
Practical Encyclopedia of Orchids – A complete guide to orchids and their cultivation	Brian and Wilma Rittershausen	World of Orchids, Where to grow Orchids, Care and Cultivation, Popular and Specialist Orchids, Temperate and Terrestrial Orchids.	Lorenze Books Anness London 2001
Practical Guide to Australian Orchid Growing	Wayne Turville	Excellent introduction to Australian Natives. Starting a Collection, Housing your Orchids, Day-to-Day care, Pests and Diseases, Cymbidiums, Sarcophilus and Extra Bits.	Australian Orchid Nursery Tyabb Victoria 2009
Reproductive Biology of Species Orchids – Principles and Practice	Peter B Adams (Editor)	A series of articles on reproductive biology – a result of collaboration by scientists and practical orchid growers.	Orchid Species Society of Victoria and University of Melbourne 1988
Specialist Orchid Grower	JN Rentoul	Climates, planning and building a quality species collection, rowing methods, fertilisers, root systems.	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1987
Starting out with Orchids	David L Jones	Easy to grow collectable orchids for your shade house. 256 species, are fully described in simple straightforward language.	Reed New Holland Sydney 2010
Success with Orchids	Wilma Rittershausen	Informative guide for the novice in cultivating many species, plus over 100 colour photographs	New Line Books 2006
Sunset Orchids	Kathryn L Arthurs (supervising editor)	How to grow healthy orchids indoors/outdoors and under glass, increasing our collection plus other special features.	Lane Publishing California 1977
What Orchid is That ?	Alec Pridgeon (editor)	Hybridization, cultivation, pests and diseases, pollinations and then Orchids A-Z	Lansdowne Publishing Sydney 1992
World of Orchids 2	Members and friends of the North Shore Orchid Society	Various in-depth articles covering growing requirements of a number of genus in the Sydney region.	North Shore Orchid Society Willoughby 1995

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You, too, can grow Orchids A Guide for Australian Gardeners	Ralph Handcock and Margaret Smith	Potting medium, watering, diseases and pests, divisions, seed germination, calendar of care, building an orchid house.	Child and Associates Frenchs Forest 1988
Bulbophyllum			
Bulbophyllums – The Incomplete Guide from A to WHY ?	Bill Thoms	A whimsical but informative overview of the genus, covering habitat, growing requirements, pests and diseases, plus a lot of great photographs and some interesting historical data.	Self-published 2009
Caladenia – Spider Orchids			
Spider Orchids – Caladenia Orchids of Australia	Gary Backhouse	A comprehensive field guide to the 400 species and sub-species of these orchids which occur in Australia, with over 1300 photographs of wild orchids in their natural habitat.	Melbourne 2020

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Cattleya			
Australian Orchid Growing Volume No. 2 – Cattleyas	D Gallagher, J Harris, M Hewitt, C Jennings (eds)	Articles covering all aspects of culture from the tropics to Tasmania, including pests and diseases, plus colour photographs of AOC awards	Australian Orchid Council Adelaide 1988
Cattleya Alliance – A Cultural Guide	P C Tomlinson	Basic information on culture and growing, with extensive use of previously published material	Wellington Orchid Society New Zealand
Growing Orchids – Book Two Cattleyas and other <i>Epiphytes</i>	J N Rentoul	An overview of cultivation for both types of orchids, including potting mixes and fertilisers.	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1982
Quality Stream Cattleyas	P Moore, D Herman, M Watanabe (eds)	Introducing more than 800 kinds of cattleya species and hybrids with coloured photographs. English and Japanese text.	Japanese Orchid Growers Association Date ?
You can grow Cattleya Orchids Revised Edition II	Mary Noble	Growth and culture, environment, other genera in the Cattleya alliance, potting, propagation and problems	McQuerry Orchid Books Florida USA 1991
Coelogyne			
The Genus Coelogyne – A Synopsis	Dudley Clayton	A summary of available information on the genus, including distribution, habitat and altitudinal range, together with hybridisation and cultivation.	Natural History Publications (Borneo) in association with Kew Gardens 2002

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Cymbidiums			
Australian Orchid Growing – Vol 1 Cymbidiums	Australian Orchid Council	A comprehensive overview of the genus with notes on culture, identification of pests, diseases and virus by various authors. Well illustrated.	Australian Orchid Council 1993 Printed by Lane Bros, Camden Park South Australia
Cymbidiums – A Cultural Guide	P C Tomlinson	A selection of detailed articles covering basic culture including a monthly calendar of operations	Wellington Orchid Society New Zealand
Cymbidiums –Guide to a rewarding pastime	Graham and Sue Guest	How to grow Cymbidiums, Starting a Collection, Breeding and Genetics	Lane Print Group, Camden Park, South Australia 1992
Genus Cymbidium	D Du Puy and P Cribb	Traces the history of Cymbidium cultivation with a complete taxonomic account of all known species	Christopher Helm London 1988
Growing Orchids – Book One Cymbidiums (<i>and Slippers</i>)	J N Rentoul	Cultural notes, including the history of the species and classification by pollination count, potting mediums, and propagation.	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1980
More Cymbidiums	Graham and Sue Guest	History of the Cymbidium Hybrid, Cymbidiums as an Art Form, Culture, Optimum Growth, Hints.	Lane Print Group, Camden Park, South Australia 1996
Dendrobium			
<i>Antelope</i> Dendrobiums Reprint from Kew Bulletin 41(3) 1986	Phillip Cribb	Forty-six species are recognised and a key is provided for their identification	Kew Publications Richmond Surrey UK 1986
Dendrobium – Nobile Type	Yamamoto	Culture and general conditions, plus catalogue	Yamamoto Hawaii 1986
Dendrobium Orchids of Australia	Walter T Upton	Covering all aspects of species of the genus Dendrobium in Australia. Each individual species has a separate entry.	Houghton Mifflin Victoria, Australia 1989
Growing Orchids –Book Three <i>Vandas, Dendrobiums and others</i>	J N Rentoul	Orchids and names, species location plus details of cultivation and care of these plants.	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1982

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Lycaste			
Lycaste Orchids – Cultivation and Hybridisation	AFW Alcorn	Detailed cultural information, including historical references	Rodenprint
Native Australian Orchids			
Australian Indigenous Orchids Volume 1 The Epiphytes – The Tropical Terrestrial Species	A W Dockrill	Classification of the genera, descriptions and illustrations arranged in accordance with the classification of the genera.	Society for Growing Australian Plants 1969
Australian Native Orchids	Compiled by B G Mullins	A selection of endemic orchids growing in the north and east coast of Australia. Informative text and well illustrated.	Horwitz International
Australia's Native Orchids	W Watson Sharp	Not scientific but a general guide to growing and recognition in their natural environment	K G Murray, Sydney 1970
Australian Native Orchids in Colour	Leo Cady and E R Rotherham	An intuitive and interesting collection of photos and associated text.	Reed Sydney 1970
Australian Orchids	Rosa Fiveash	A collection of intricate paintings by Rosa Fiveash, one of the foremost botanical artists of her time, with text by Noel Lothian.	Rigby Australia 1974
Australian Orchids	Barbara Mullin and Margaret Martin	Over 60 colour photographs with descriptive text and cultivation notes.	Angus and Robertson Australia 1980
Field Guide to Australian Orchids	Margaret Hodgson and Roland Paine	Glossary of botanical terms, botanical illustrations, descriptions of orchid genera – Australian orchids. Beautiful illustrations.	Angus & Robertson Sydney 1989
Growing Orchids – Book Four Australasian Families	J N Rentoul	An introduction to terrestrial orchids and Australian epiphytic orchids, including pollination, hybridising, and general cultivation. Also covering dendrobium, sarcochilus, and bulbophyllum.	Lothian Port Melbourne 1985

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Native Orchids of Australia	David L Jones	Terrestrial and Epiphytic	Reed 1988
Native Orchids of Australia – A Complete Guide – 3 rd Edition	David L Jones	An excellent book – insightful and full of detailed information on our native orchids.	Reed New Holland Australia 2021
Native Orchids of NSW and ACT (Guide to)	Lachlan M Copeland and Gary N Backhouse	Wild orchids of NSW and ACT. Diversity, biology and ecology, species profiles and hybrids. Very comprehensive.	CSIRO Publishing Melbourne 2022
Native Orchids of Southern Australia – a Field Guide (roughly south of Brisbane in the east and Kalbarri in the west)	David and Barbara Jones	There are about 1200 species of native orchids in Australia, 2/3rds of which are terrestrial. Here is a sample of native orchids which occur naturally south of latitude 27° Alphabetical descriptors with common names and excellent photographs.t	Bloomings Books Hawthorne Victoria 2000
Orchid species of the Shoalhaven	Alan W Stephenson	An attempt to document indigenous orchid species in the area, in particular those endangered or extinct.	PresOz computer servicesNSW 2011
Tropical Orchids of Australia	P S Lavarack and B Gray	Habitats, Cultivation, Conservation, Classification, Name Changes, recent Discoveries and Natural Hybrids.	Thomas Nelson Australia 1985
Oncidium			
Oncidiums – A Cultural Guide	P C Tomlinson Wellington Orchid Society Inc	Provides detailed cultural information for one of the largest genera in the orchid family.	P C Tomlinson, Wellington New Zealand

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Paphiopedilums – Slipper Orchids			
Australian Orchid Growing – Vol 3 Paphiopedilums	Australian Orchid Council	A comprehensive overview of the genus with notes on culture, identification of pests, diseases and virus by various authors. Well illustrated.	Australian Orchid Council 1990, Printed by Lane Bros. Adelaide SA
Growing Orchids – Book One (<i>Cymbidiums</i>) and Slippers	J N Rentoul	Cultivation, environment and the work of the hybridists since its discovery in 1861	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1980
Novelty Slipper Orchids – Breeding and Cultivating	Koopowitz and Hasegawa	History with detailed information and practical advice on the breeding and cultivation of novelty slipper orchids	Angus and Robertson Australia 1989
Paphiopedilums – A Cultural Guide	P C Tomlinson	An overview of the cultural requirements, including a number of previously published articles	Wellington Orchid Society New Zealand 1987
Paphiopedilum Grower’s Manual	Lance A Birk	A guide to the species, basic cultivation and all the related activities	Pisang Press California 1983
Survey of the Slipper Orchids	V H Waters and C Waters	Introduction, the tropical American genera, hybridisation, functional botany, reproduction, evolution and taxonomy	Caroline Press North Carolina USA 1973
TAPS – The Australian Paphiopedilum Society Bulletin	Various contributors	Slipper Orchids in California and cultural notes. Paphs of PNG, Address by Roger Kramer, How we Grow them – David and Graeme Banks.	November 1992 May 1993
Tropical Asiatic Slipper Orchids – Genus Paphopedilum	Keith S Bennett	A wealth of relevant and botanical data in layman’s terms for the cultivation of the array of lady slipper orchid species	Angus and Robertson Australia 1984

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Phalaenopsis			
Genus Phalaenopsis Orchids of the World Volume 1	Herman R Sweet	An update of data, insights and understanding of the genus, together with photographs and detailed drawings	Orchid Digest USA 1980
Stanhopea			
The Astonishing Stanhopeas – the upside down orchids	Barney Creer	This small book covers identification and pollination, best growing conditions and a lot of excellent photographs plus a short history.	Self-published 1998 and printed by Graphic World Sydney
Vanda			
Growing Orchids – Book Three Vandas, (<i>Dendrobiums and others</i>)	J N Rentoul	Orchids and names, species location plus details of cultivation and care of these plants.	Lothian Publishing Melbourne 1982

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Pests and Diseases			
Alans Pest and Disease Handbook	Alan Merriman	Information on a range of pests and diseases.	Miriam Ann Orchids Crown and Anchor Printery 1993
Fungal Diseases of Orchids (pamphlet)	Helen Ogle University of Qld	Pamphlet Article. Describing the fungal diseases most commonly seen on orchids during an Australian Orchid Foundation funded disease survey in SE Queensland and northern NSW.	Australian Orchid Council 1997
Orchid Pests and Diseases Guide	James B Watson	Provides information on insect and non-insect pests, bacterial and fungal disease and viruses, physiological problems which may arise from incorrect watering lighting or nutritional problems.	American Orchid Society Florida USA Revised Edition 2008
Virus – Disease of Orchids (pamphlet)	Don Gowanlock University of Qld	Pamphlet Article. What is a Virus ? Diagnosis, transmission, control.	Australian Orchid Council Orchids Australia
What Garden Pest or Disease is That ?	Judy McMaugh	Planning and maintaining your garden, A-Z of plant care pests and diseases, chemicals and pesticides.	Lansdowne Press Sydney 1985

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Other Books – not specifically Orchids			
Australian Ferns and Fern Allies	DL Jones and SC Clemesha	Details some 312 species of ferns and fern allies with information on distribution, habitat, cultivation and means of identification	AH and AW Reed Sydney 1976
Australian Plants – December 1963	Various contributors	Articles on the cultivation of Boronia, propagation, native shrubs from cuttings, genus Bauera, Cooktown orchid, Melaleucas and native rose.	Society for Growing Australian Plants
Australian Plants – March 1973	Various contributors	Articles on growing wildflowers and native orchids – Proteaceae, Dryandra, Hakea, terrestrial orchids, and Myrtaceae	Society for Growing Australian Plants
Australian Plants – September 1973	Various contributors	Articles on Australian native ferns, Waratahs, classification of Australian plants, and toxicology of chemicals used for pest control	Society for Growing Australian Plants
Australian Plants – March 1974	Various contributors	Articles on flora of the Australian arid zone, and the magic of wildflowers	Society for Growing Australian Plants
Gardening Australia Book (The)	Presenters of ABC TVs <i>Gardening Australia</i>	Practical information and good gardening advice on questions commonly asked by viewers of the TV program.	ABC Enterprises Sydney 1991
Garden Photography Revised edition of Plants and Gardens Volume 45/2	Various contributors	A visual history, together with gardener's notes and details of photographic equipment - its use and care	Plants and Garden Brooklyn Botanic Garden New York 1990
Greenhouses	T J Williams and Larry Hodgson	Choosing the right greenhouse, building plans and kits, outfitting, managing and using your greenhouse	Ortho Books California 1991
Guide to Bird Habitats in New South Wales	RM Cooper and IAW McAllan	Examines the relationship between birds and their preferred habitats to determine and monitor their level of distribution.	NSW Bird Atlassers Inc. Medowie NSW 2218 1998
Video	Orchid Festival	Coffs Harbour Showground 7-10 September 1995	Stored with old Minutes.
Wes Australian Wildflowers	C Gardner Government Botanist	Colour Plates by WA Newspapers from Water Colours by Edgar Dell and Colour Photographs by staff photographers descriptions by C A Gardner.	West Australian Newspapers Perth 1943

