
Subgenus – *Platyclinis*

**Synonyms**

None

**Origin in the Wild**

Sumatra

**Elevation in the Wild**

Around 1,000 metres

**Habitat in the Wild**

This species has been collected on Mount Rimbo Pengadang in the Bukit Barisan Mountains, Bengkulu Province.

**The Plants Description**

Pseudobulbs cluster together along a short rhizome. Pseudobulbs are shaped terete and narrowed at their apices. Pseudobulbs measure 11cm long and 7mm in diameter. The leaves are petiolate; the petiole measures 4.25cm long. Leaf blades are a lanceolate shape and have acute apices. Leaf blades measure 18cm long and 3.3cm wide. The leaves are green on their upper surface and have purple spotting underneath.

**The Inflorescence**

Peduncles measure 13cm long. Rachises are pendent and measure c13cm long. Flowers are spaced 3mm apart.

**The Flowers**

Flowers are brownish and green basally, labella are light reddish brown with pale margins. Columns are pale green and stelidia are white. Dorsal sepals are a narrowly lanceolate shape and have acute apices. Dorsal sepals are concave with recurved margins and measure 6.3mm long. Lateral sepals are an obliquely lanceolate shape and measure c6.3mm long and 1.6mm wide. Petals are an obliquely lanceolate shape and have acuminate apices. Petals measure 5.3mm long and 1.5mm wide. Petal margins are white. Labella are entire and curved. The hypochile is a quadrangular shape and has dentate margins. The epichile is an ovate shape and has an obtuse apex that is convex and minutely erose. Columns measure 2.5mm long, Apical hoods have erose margins. Stelidia grow from the middle of columns and are broader at their bases. Stelidia are an obliquely triangular shape, falcate and have acute apices. The stelidia barely reach the column apex.

**Herbarium Specimens**

Syntype

National Herbarium Netherlands, Leiden (L)

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Specimen L0058444
Specimen L0058445

Scent
I could find no record

Flowering Season
I could find no record

Cultivation
I do not think this species is in cultivation. The Leiden syntype is of a plant that was cultivated in Bogor Botanic Garden in 1916.

Similar Species
*Dendrochilum simile*
*Dendrochilum odoratum*
*Dendrochilum bandaharaense* (see this page for differences)
*Dendrochilum beccarii*
*Dendrochilum stenochilum*

Other Information
J.J. Smith wrote that this plant was similar to *Dendrochilum simile* and *Dendrochilum odoratum* but differs by its flower colour, denticulate labellum and 3 keels.
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The Dendrochilum similis group

1 – Dendrochilum similis
2 – Dendrochilum odoratum
3 – Dendrochilum malindangense
4 – Dendrochilum planiscapum
5 – Dendrochilum spathaceum

6 – Dendrochilum duplicibrachium
7 – Dendrochilum steirochilum
8 – Dendrochilum beccarii
9 – Dendrochilum zollingeri
10 – Dendrochilum oxyglossum
11 – Dendrochilum gramineum

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