

AN ORCHID WORKSHOP
Saturday, 22nd February

Brendan Sayers, Glasshouse Foreman at the NBG and well-known orchid specialist will give a demonstration on growing and re-potting orchids. This demonstration is open to the public but numbers must be limited.

Please contact Irish Orchid Society Secretary Marie Hourigan to reserve your place:
info@irishorchidsociety.org

Time: **11.30 am**. Meet at the Education and Visitor Centre.

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Andre Schuiteman, Orchid Taxonomist, Kew Gardens, will speak in the auditorium.

Andre Schuiteman is Senior Researcher in Orchidaceae at the Royal Botanic Gardens Herbarium, Kew and formerly with the National Herbarium of the Netherlands at Leiden. He is the author of **A Guide to the Dendrobium of New Guinea**. He will speak about some of the 900 species of Dendrobium from India, Southeast Asia and parts of the southern hemisphere.

Time: **2: 30 pm**. This event is free and open to the public.
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Please note that these events are scheduled for a Saturday to allow members from further afield to attend.

The Committee is expecting an exceptionally large attendance.

MARY BRADSHAW
 TREASURER

DENDROBIUM is a huge genus of orchids. It was established by Olof Swartz in 1799 and today contains about 1,200 species. The genus occurs in diverse habitats throughout much of south, east and southeast Asia, including the Philippines, Borneo, Australia, New Guinea, Vietnam, Solomon Islands and New Zealand.

The name is from the Greek *dendron* ("tree") and *bios* ("life"); it means "one who lives on trees", or, essentially, "epiphyte".





A GUIDE TO DENDROBIUM OF NEW GUINEA.

André Schuiteman,

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At present, about 560 species of Dendrobium, over a third of all the species in the genus, have been reported from New Guinea. In this book, a selection of 82 species are shown, carefully chosen to represent the diversity of the genus in New

Guinea, at the same time including some of the most common, unusual, or showy species.

Species of the genus Dendrobium are among the most conspicuous and attractive orchids to be found in New Guinea, or anywhere else for that matter. About 560 species have been recorded from this great island, of which many are still poorly known. In this book a selection of 80 species are shown, carefully chosen to display the diversity of the genus, at the same time highlighting some of its most commonly encountered, beautiful or unusual representatives. Many of the excellent photographs were taken in the wild, which is where most of the species are observed to their best advantage. This is especially true for high altitude species such as *D. dekokkii* and *D. crenatifolium*, which are virtually never seen outside their native habitat as they are extremely difficult to keep in cultivation.

As a result of DNA analyses, the classification of Dendrobium and related genera has undergone considerable modifications in recent years. The classification in this book takes these into account. There is an identification key to the sections of the genus, and a checklist enumerating all known species arranged according to section.

Dendrobium-x-delicatum

