

Membership information

The Orchid Species Society Inc. (est 1972) is for growers interested in learning more about orchid species that grow naturally in the wild. Orchids are widespread in all continents but are more numerous in the tropics. There is a great diversity in the characteristics of the flowers and plants.

Objectives of the Society

- To support the conservation of orchid species in their natural habitat
- To promote the conservation of orchid species by artificial propagation
- To promote scientific knowledge of orchid species
- To create public interest in the activities of the society

Monthly meetings

Monthly meetings are held at which a wide variety of species orchids are displayed. Experts on various subjects are invited to share their knowledge with members on various aspects of culture, including the growing environment, watering, fertilising etc.

Presentations are provided from time to time by guest speakers, prizes are awarded for cultural plant and plant of interest, and supper is included.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month from 7.30pm at Red Hill Community Sports Club, Fulcher Road, Red Hill, QLD, Australia.

New members and visitors

We welcome new members and visitors to our meetings, which provide opportunities to view some of the 30,000 orchid species found in nature.

Other items/activities

Orchid Species Bulletin

The monthly Bulletin is forwarded by email in colour or by mail to all members. It includes comprehensive descriptions of plants tabled at meetings, notes from presentations and other interesting information.

Plant commentary

A plant commentary is provided on orchids displayed at the monthly meetings. This is of special interest to members and provides an opportunity to learn more about orchid species and their habitat and cultivation, and for growers to ask questions.

Spring show

The Society conducts a Spring Orchid Species show in the latter half of each year at the Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens Auditorium, where visitors can see hundreds of orchid species from around the world.

Plant sales

Orchid species are available for purchase at monthly meetings and the Spring show. This is an opportunity to add to your collection at very reasonable prices.

Field trips

From time to time the Society organises field trips to member's bush houses and to commercial nurseries.

Additional activities

'Pot out' competitions are held where members receive a seedling orchid species from a flask of the same cultivar, and a prize awarded to the first member to flower the orchid. Other interesting activities are held during the year.

The Orchid Species Society Inc.

Membership Application

I/We apply for membership of The Orchid Species Society Inc.

I/We agree to help protect the biodiversity groups of species orchids throughout the world and agree to abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the Society.

Name/s of Applicant/s.....

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Address.....

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..... **Postcode**.....

Telephone.....

Email.....

Enclosed is my/our subscription \$.....

Signature.....

Date.....

Receipt No......

Membership fees

Annual membership \$25.00
(single or family membership)

Annual membership is from January to December each year. If membership fees are not received by the end of April, your membership will be cancelled.

Any new memberships paid from September of any year will be considered members till the end of the following calendar year.

Once membership fees are paid, copies of previous editions of the bulletin will be provided. A name badge will also be provided to the new member, for a small fee.

Note: Members providing an email address receive a \$10.00 discount on their membership fee, making it \$15.00.

Membership fees can be paid to the Secretary at the monthly meeting. Alternatively, membership fees paid by cash, cheque or postal order can be mailed to:

The Secretary
The Orchid Species Society Inc.
PO Box 135
Red Hill QLD 4059

Orchid species in the wild

Below: Ground growing terrestrial orchids



Left and below: Tree growing epiphytic orchids



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Your invitation to join The Orchid Species Society Inc.

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