# ORHIDEJE ORCHIDS

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### DISTRIBUTION

 Orchids are a diverse and widespread family flowering plants with beautiful and colorful blooms.





### DISTRIBUTION

- 21.000-30.000 species, 900 genera
- The family also encompasses about 6–11% of all seed plants.

Oceania: 50 to 70 genera North America: 20 to 26 genera tropical America: 212 to 250 genera tropical Asia: 260 to 300 genera tropical Africa: 230 to 270 genera Europe and temperate Asia: 40 to 60 genera



#### • EPIPHYTES (grow on trees)- tropical orchids





#### • LITOFITSKE VRSTE (grow on rocks)



### • TERESTRIČNE VRSTE (grow on the floor)

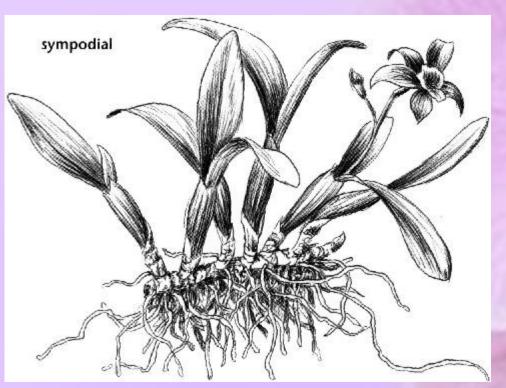


**Monopodial**: The stem grows from a single bud, leaves are added from the apex each year and the stem grows longer accordingly. The stem of orchids with a monopodial growth can reach several metres in length, as in Vanda and Vanilla.





 Sympodial: The plant produces a series of adjacent shoots which grow to a certain size, bloom and then stop growing, to be then replaced.





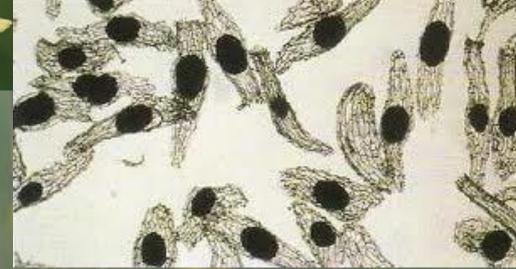
- bilateral symmetry
- many resupinate flowers
- a nearly always highly modified petal (labellum)



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- a nearly always highly modified petal (labellum)
- fused stamens and carpels
- extremely small seeds









### LEAVES



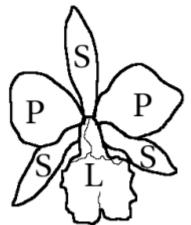






# ROOTS





P-petal S-sepal L-labellum

## BLOOMS





# ORCHIDS IN SLOVENIA



# LEPI ČEVELJC





# NAVADNA KUKAVICA







## MUHOLIKO MAČJE UHO





# KAMNIŠKA MURKA









## RJAVA GNEZDOVNICA



# USAGE

- Salep
- Vanillia







# Endangered

Orchids are endangered due to

- deforestation of tropical forest,
- intensive agriculture,
- over-fertilization
- abandonment of meadows.







