



## **Cultural Requirements – Epidendrum porpax**

**Pronounced:** E-pee-DEN-drum

**Tribe:** Epidendreae | **Subtribe:** Laeliinae



This miniature orchid species, native to Colombia and Venezuela, is known for its succulent leaves and fragrant flowers ranging from green to purple. Growing in clumps on tree sides in pine forests, this unique orchid is adaptable to various conditions and can become a nice specimen blooming twice a year.

**Temperature:** Intermediate to warm, tolerating a low of 50F at night

**Lighting:** Bright, filtered sunlight.

**Watering:** Weekly with well-drained medium, or when potting medium is dry to the touch. Maintain high humidity, around 70% or more.

**Fertilizer:** Balanced fertilizer at half strength.

**Potting:** Likes to be pot-bound and can also be mounted on pieces of wood or cork. Repot every three years or so.

**References:** *American Orchid Society via aos.org*

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