#### **Dendrobium Nobile**

**Temperature**: 8°-25°c (46°-77°f) Keep to the cooler end of the scale between November - February.

**Light**: Bright light all year round is essential, but avoid direct sunlight.

Watering: This is one of the key elements to re-flowering. To encourage new blooms, they must have no water between

November - February unless they are grown in a centrally heated home, in which case mist the top of the bark compost once a month.

From February - June, increase the watering to once a week and from June to November, twice a week.

Feeding: Do not feed during the no water period. From late March until September, feed with orchid fertilizer once every two weeks and from September to the end of

October, feed once every two weeks with **half strength** tomato fertiliser.

Re-potting: This should take place in the spring when needed, but they do like their main roots to be restricted allowing their aerial roots to roam free. Remember not to over do it with the pot size, a tight squeeze is better than a loose fit.

If you require any further information please ask a member of our staff.

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Guide to growing Cambria, Dendrobium Phalaenopsis & Dendrobium Nobile Orchids



# Cambria Orchids

Cambria orchids are a large and extensive family of different varieties and hybrids, which include the likes of Brassia, Odontoglossums and Oncidiums, as well as many others. The one thing they all have in common is that they all contain Odontoglossum parentage.

All of the Cambria family of orchids have oval shaped pseudo-bulbs which should be plump and at no time should they be shriveled.



### **Growing Cambria**

**Temperature**: 10°-20°c (50°-68°f)

**Light**: A bright situation, avoiding direct sunlight. Protect with shade netting if necessary.

Watering: Water regularly about once a week during spring and summer, reduce in winter and make sure the pseudo-bulb doesn't start to shrivel.

**Feeding**: Feed with orchid fertilizer once every 7-10 days at half the recommended strength during spring and summer. Reduce to once a month in winter.

Re-potting: This should be done in the spring every 2-3 years. Use a fine orchid compost and a large enough pot to accommodate new growth. New pseudo-bulbs can also be taken off and potted on at this time of year.

### **Dendrobium Phalaenopsis**

**Temperature**: 18°-28°c (64°-82°f)

**Light**: A bright situation, avoiding direct sunlight during spring and summer. Use shade netting if necessary.

**Watering**: Water once a week all year round but during hot summer spells, watering twice a week may be necessary.

**Feeding**: Feed from late March to September with a suitable orchid fertilizer.

**Re-potting**: This should be done in the spring every 2-3 years. Use a fine orchid compost and the same size pot unless the orchid is misshaping the pot it is already in.

