

Orchid 'Leptotes bicolor' (Orchid75)

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€ 14.00

Leptotes bicolor is a miniature orchid from South-America, with a love for temperate temperatures. The flowers of Leptotes bicolor are pure white, with a striking deep pink stain in the middle. Read more about Leptotes bicolor below the photo's under 'product info' and 'plant care'.



Plant type:



flowering plant

Place:



indoor

Adult width:



10 cm

Light:



no direct sun

Watering:



normal

Araflora info



botanical

Product info

Leptotes bicolor (literally meaning 'two colored') is found in Brazil and Paraguay, at an altitude ranging from 700 - 1100 m. In this area moderate temperatures prevail (16-20 degrees at night). The fragrant, white-pink flowers of Leptotes bicolor grow to a diameter of 4 - 5 cm, which is relatively big for a miniature orchid. The flowers open subsequently and yield seeds with a vanilla like taste. In South-America these seeds are used for flavoring milk and ice cream.

Height:

5 cm



Width:

5 cm



Adult height:

40 cm



Adult width:

10 cm



Flower period:

all year



Product:

plant



Plant type:

flowering plant



Growth habit:

climbing



Growth habit:

epiphytical



Properties:

limited



Growth rate:

normal



Araflora info:

botanical



Natural habitat:

North-East Asia



Altitude range:

0-1000 m



Plantcare

Leptotes bicolor grows on tree trunks in the wild so it prefers to grow in half shadow. The dark place should not be too moist, that can cause the delicate roots of the orchid to rot. If the soil tends to be too moist it is wise to tie the plant up to cork or fern root. A high humidity is recommended, this can be achieved by growing Leptotes bicolor in close proximity to sphagnum (a kind of moss). Provide a moderately cool temperature (16-20 degrees Celsius at night). At the end of winter and the beginning of spring the mildly fragrant flowers appear. After blossoming of the flowers make sure to water the plant less frequently.

Care:
easy



Place:
indoor



Place:
artificial lighting



Light:
no direct sun



Light:
semi sun



Fertilize:
medium



Maintenance:
can be pruned



Watering:
normal



Watering tips:
not standing in water



Air humidity at day:
60-90%



Air humidity at night:
70-90%



Air movement:
large



Temperature max:
30 °C



Temperature min:
15 °C



Soil ph:
<6-7>



Soil type:
mixed



Repotting:
after 1 year

