

Nephelaphyllum maliauensis (Orchidaceae; Collabiinae), a new species from the Maliau Basin, Sabah, Borneo, with a discussion of the taxonomic identities of *N. pulchrum*, *N. latilabre* and *N. flabellatum*

Abstract

Nephelaphyllum is a relatively small genus, containing only 11 species distributed from China through Indochina to Thailand and from Peninsular Malaysia eastwards through Indonesia to the Philippines (Chan *et al.* 1994). The species are easily recognised, even when not in flower, by their characteristic light green or yellowish leaves and dark green venation and blotches (Comber 1990). All species grow in deep, well-drained humus in dark conditions on the forest floor, especially in areas without severe dry seasons (Comber 1990).