

Outdoor Orchid Growing

- Select a frost free area
- **Bring indoors when** temperatures will be below freezing
- **Overhead protection from frost**
- **Protection from wind**
- Avoid afternoon direct sun
- Under an oak tree
- **Under a roof overhang**







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- Cymbidiums
- Australian Dendrobiums
- Laelia anceps
- Zygopetalums
 - **Epidendrums (cane orchids)**
- Sobralias

- Sarcochilus
- Vanda (coeruela and hybrids)
 - Draculas, Masdevalias, Bletilla and maybe more
- (Phalaenopsis NOT for outdoor growing)

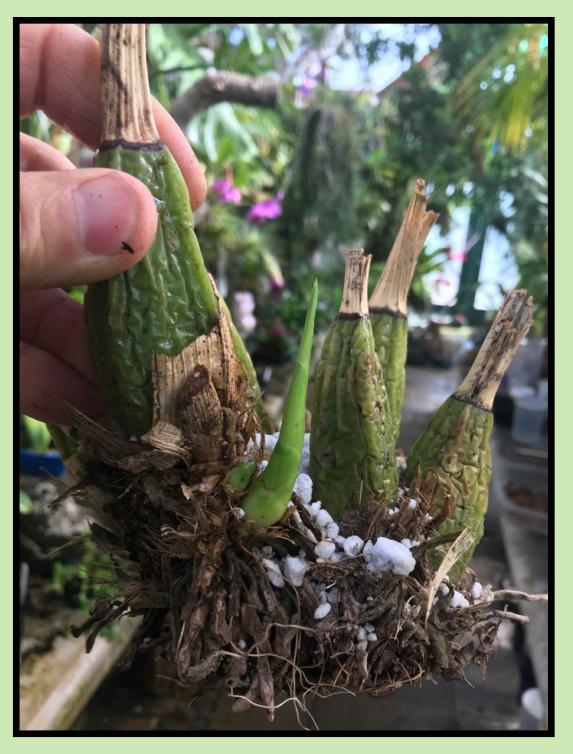




Cymbidiums

- Easy outdoor growers.
- Can take temperatures as low as 28F.
- Like dappled sunlight under oak trees
 more sun in coastal areas.
- Grow in frost protected areas.
- Protect from late afternoon direct sun in summer (inland areas).
- Plant in orchid bark, can mix in perlite for drainage.
- Fertilized 1/2 strength in Spring, Summer and Fall -every 2 weeks or monthly
- Like moisture when in active growth





Back Bulb Propagation

- Cymbidiums
- Zygopetalums
- Leafless "back bulbs" can be separated, kept in slightly damp perlite or sphagnum moss.
- In a few months, shoots from the base of the pseudobulb may form





Australian Dendrobiums

- Survive low 30's if kept dry in winter.
- High 90's or more in summer.
- Let pot dry before re-watering.
- Smallest pot to contain root ball so interior of pot does not remain wet.
- Bright light but protect from hottest afternoon sun.
- Keep dry in Dec and Jan to promote blooms in Spring.
- Nobile type Dendrobiums also grow well outdoors and require cold exposure to bloom.













- Easy to grow outdoors.
- Drier in winter to promote blooms.
- Water and fertilizer in **Spring and Summer.**
- Speciosum gets BIG





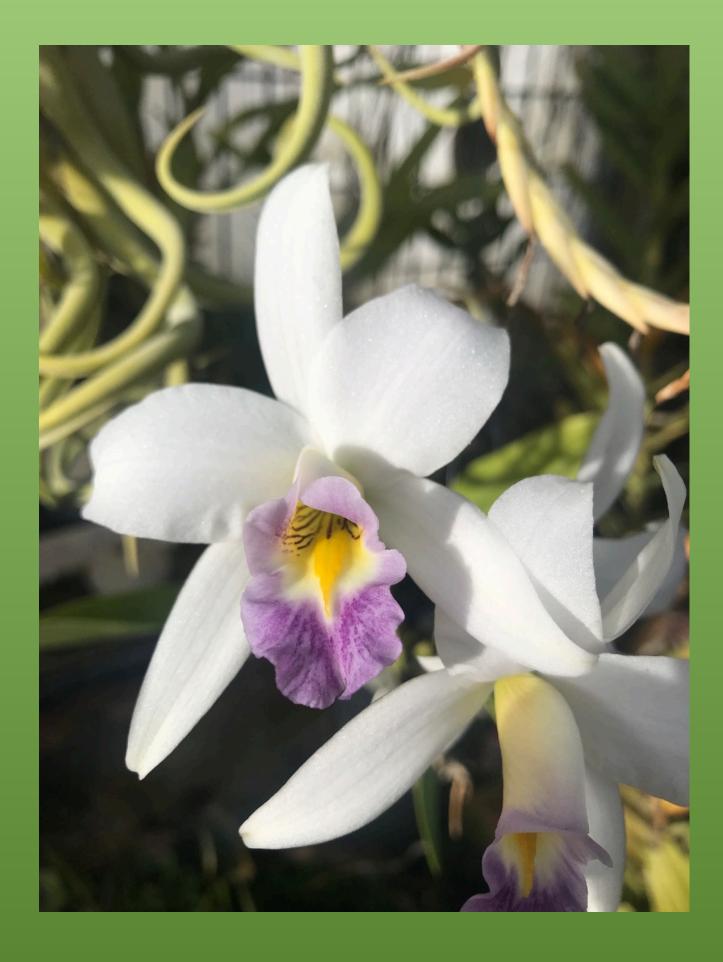
Laelia anceps

- Winter temps in the low 30's.
- Summer temps in the 90's or higher.
- Roots like to grow mounted on cork, oak or other suitable hardwoods.
- Long flower spikes up to 3 ft.
- Wide variety of colors.

A range of color forms of *L. anceps*









Laelia Anceps

• Eric, an FCOS member with one of his L. anceps. Eric is an expert grower, but even new orchid growers will have success with this orchid.

