

## Preface

Volume 10 of the *Flora of China* is the 18th of the 24 text volumes in the series. It includes one family, 29 tribes, 167 genera, and 1,673 species, among which one genus and 690 species (41%) are endemic to China, and three or four tribes, 32 or 33 genera, and 131–134 species (8%) are introduced to China.

Volume 10 is formatted in the same manner as the first 17 volumes of the series: vol. 17 (1994), vol. 16 (1995), vol. 15 (1996), vol. 18 (1998), vol. 4 (1999), vol. 24 (2000), vol. 8 (2001), vol. 6 (2001), vol. 9 (2003), vol. 5 (2003), vol. 14 (2005), vol. 22 (2006), vol. 13 (2007), vol. 12 (2007), vol. 11 (2008), vol. 7 (2008), and vol. 25 (2009). The following 16 accompanying volumes of the *Flora of China Illustrations* have been published to date: vol. 17 (1998), vol. 16 (1999), vol. 15 (2000), vol. 18 (2000), vol. 4 (2001), vol. 24 (2002), vol. 8 (2003), vol. 6 (2003), vol. 9 (2004), vol. 5 (2004), vol. 14 (2006), vol. 22 (2007), vol. 13 (2008), vol. 12 (2008), vol. 11 (2009), and vol. 7 (2009).

Bruce Bartholomew co-authored and edited the Hedysareae (*Eversmannia*), Robinieae, and Sesbanieae and edited the Aeschynomeneae, Crotalariae, Galegeae (*Oxytropis*), Hedysareae (except *Alhagi*, *Calophaca*, and *Halimodendron*), and Millettieae. Anthony R. Brach co-authored and edited the Galegeae (*Gueldenstaedtia* and *Tibetia*) and edited the Acacieae, Caesalpinieae, Cassieae, Cercideae, Dalbergieae, Desmodieae, Detarieae, Euchresteae, Galegeae (except *Astragalus*, *Oxytropis*, and *Phyllolobium*), Hedysareae (*Alhagi*, *Calophaca*, and *Halimodendron*), Ingeae, and Mimoseae. Michael G. Gilbert co-authored and edited the Abreae, Amorpheae, and Psoraleae, edited and partly co-authored the Phaseoleae, and edited the Indigofereae. Lisa J. Pepper and Nicholas J. Turland edited the Fabae (*Lathyrus*), Galegeae (*Astragalus* and *Phyllolobium*), Loteae, Sophoreae, Trifolieae, and Thermopsidae. Nicholas J. Turland, assisted editorially by Lisa J. Pepper, co-authored the Cicereae, Fabae (*Lens*, *Pisum*, and *Vicia*), and Genisteae. Nicholas J. Turland checked the nomenclature. Lisa J. Pepper carried out the final editing of the whole volume. Zhang Libing (张丽兵) corrected errors and omissions in the Chinese and pinyin names. Anthony R. Brach, Han Xuezhe (韩学哲), Lisa J. Pepper, and Zeng Jianfei (曾建飞) proofread the volume. Nicholas J. Turland and Lisa J. Pepper compiled the indexes. Beth Parada helped with the production of the introductory pages. Rosemary Tanaka typeset the volume for publication.

The 19th text volume in the series (vol. 23) will contain 23 families of monocotyledons, including the Araceae, Arecaceae, and Cyperaceae.

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