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Madagascar is a world hot-spot for orchids. The largest family of flowering plants on the island, almost 1000 species make up some 10% of Madagascar's flora; 90% of them are endemic. They occur in almost every habitat, from coastal and montane forests to cold mountain tops and dry spiny forest. This field guide, the first of its kind for Madagascan orchids, will enable you to identify these showy and often spectacular plants.

- Describes all Madagascan orchid species.
- Provides keys to the genera and species of orchids.
- Illustrates over 400 species in colour.
- Invaluable identification tool for local guides and rangers, conservationists, scientists, hobbyists and tourists.

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