

Bug orchid

Anacamptis coriophora (L.) R.M.Bateman & al.

DESCRIPTION

The inflorescence is long and dense, composed of wine-red flowers. The sepals and petals compose a pointed hood, while the three-lobed lip is twisted back. The common name of this plant refers to the unpleasant smell of the flowers.



HABITAT

Dry and wet meadows.

DISTRIBUTION

Southern and central Europe, reaching Poland and Germany to the north and extending to the Caucasus in the southeast.

DANGER

Habitat destruction, intense agriculture (eutrophication, intensive grazing).

PROTECTION

CITES Washington Convention - Annex II.
EU regulation of trade of fauna and flora - Annex B.
IUCN Red List of Threatened Species: Least Concern.



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