PLANT FACT SHEET

Ophrys holoserica (Burm.f.) Greuter

GENUS *Ophrys* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

COMMON NAMES Late spider orchid

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Bulb

The tuber or bulb is used to produce salep.

DESCRIPTION

An orchid. It is 15-50 cm high. It carries 2-10 flowers. Each flower is 2.5-3 cm across. The lip has silky hairs. It is bent forward. The flowers are velvety dark brown.

HABITAT

It grows on calcareous soils of grassland and scrubland. It can also be in light coniferous forest. It occurs between sea level to 1400 m altitude.

NOTES

There are about 140 Ophrys species.

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