

Cattleya bowringiana



Native of: Guatemala and Belize

Habitat: Warm forest from 200 – 900m altitude with a marked dry winter season.

Description: This species can grow into a large plant with bulbs up to 60cm with two or three thick leathery leaves. The leaves are an attractive grey green colour. The flower spikes appear in the autumn and have up to fifteen 7cm flowers.

An attractive habit is that this species flowers when a small plant starting with just one or two flowers per spike.

Cultivation Guidance: At school we grow this species warm (min 15°C). Its natural habitat suggests it needs good light.

Flowering season: Autumn

Flask to flowering approx: 4yrs.

Seedling source: Commercial nursery