

# Laelia purpurata



**Native of:** Brazil

**Habitat:** An epiphyte or lithophyte in coastal areas they were once said to grow even in the sands along the beaches.

**Description:** A large plant up to 50cm high with 15cm flowers and 2-5 on a stem. The parent for these plants was a clone with pale pink flowers and a dark lip.

**Cultivation Guidance:** At school we grow this species warm (min15°C) in good light , in pots.

**Flowering season:** spring & early summer

**Flask to flowering approx:** 5yrs

**Seedling source:** Private grower