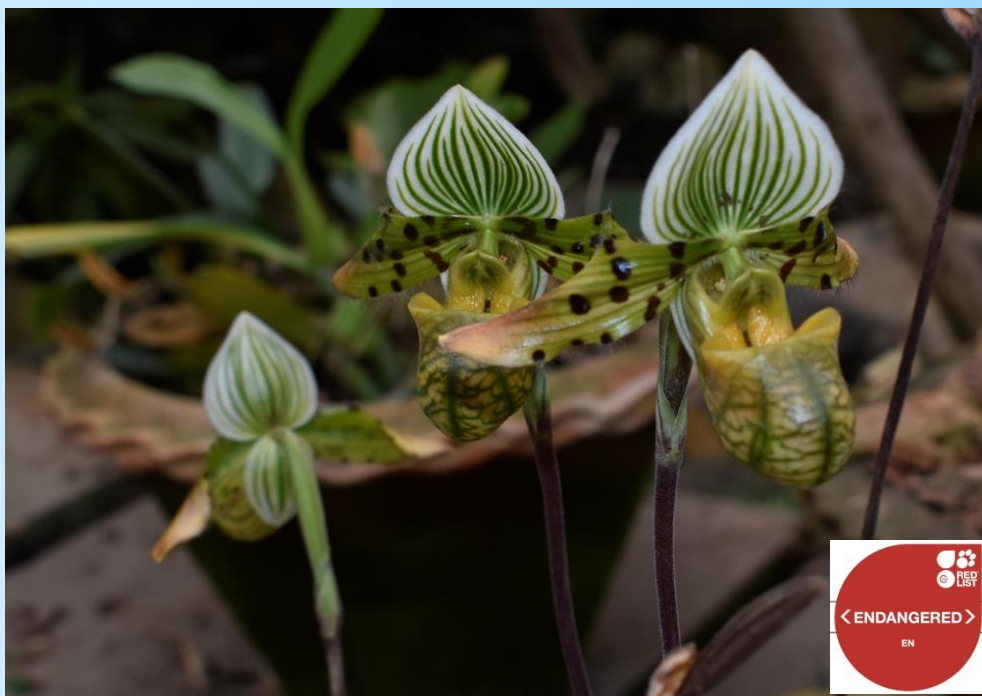


**Paphiopedilum spicerianum** (Rchb.f.) Pfitzer

Dorsal sepal is white with maroon midvein, synsepal greenish, puberulent on both surfaces. Petals greenish white, speckled with maroon dots ventrally, margin undulate, dorsally villous, midvein brown-purple. Labellum, pale greenish brown or pale yellowish brown, veins dark brown, helmet-shaped. It blooms from October to January and occurs in tropical and subtropical forests. It is becoming very rare and distributed in Manipur, Mizoram, Assam, Sikkim in Northeast India, China and Myanmar. The population is decreasing and falls under Endangered (EN) category under IUCN.



**Paphiopedilum venustum** (Wall. ex Sims) Pfitzer

Dorsal sepal and synsepal white with green veins, petals yellow-whitish with green veins, flushed with purple in apical half, with a few large maroon warts mainly in basal half, dorsally greenish veined, labellum and staminode yellowish green. It blooms from December to March and occurs in subtropical forests. It is becoming very rare and distributed in Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim in Northeast India, West Bengal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China and Nepal. The population is decreasing and falls under Endangered (EN) category under IUCN



**Paphiopedilum villosum** (Lindl.) Stein

Dorsal sepal greenish, centrally blackish maroon spotted, synsepal greenish, petals greenish with a deep maroon central stripe and maroon spots on inner side, labellum yellowish, with pale maroon veins. It blooms from October to February and occurs in subtropical forests. It is becoming very rare and distributed in Assam, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim of Northeast India, China, Myanmar, Thailand and Indonesia. The population is decreasing and falls under Vulnerable (VU) category under IUCN



**Paphiopedilum wardii** Summerh.

Dorsal sepal and synsepal white or whitish green, veined with deep green, petals greenish white, flushed with purplish brown and spotted throughout with blackish brown, labellum greenish to pale yellow-brown, veined and finely spotted with brown. It blooms from September to February and occurs in subtropical forests. It is very rare and distributed in Arunachal Pradesh of Northeast India, China and Myanmar. The population is decreasing and falls under Endangered (EN) category under IUCN

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