

# -14- GROWING DENDROBIUM ORCHIDS

## Dendrobium Lighting

Dendrobiums need a good level of lighting in order to grow and flower reliably. Direct morning sun with 50-60% shading in the afternoon will yield the best results for growing dendrobiums. Too little light may result in slowed growth, minimal flowering and susceptibility to fungal infections.



## Dendrobium Temperatures

Dendrobiums tend to enjoy a wide range of temperatures but the exact limits of what they can tolerate varies dependent on the type, orchidology generally sells Nobile type and Aussie type dendrobiums, we will give guides for these two varieties on temperature.

- Aussie Dendrobiums generally tolerate temperatures between 2-30 degrees celsius being capable of tolerating cold temperatures
- Nobile Dendrobiums can tolerate temperatures between 7-30 degrees celsius having less tolerance of lower temperatures

## Dendrobium Humidity

Dendrobiums prefer a humidity of 60-65% having circulation will also be of good benefit and prevent fungal infections on the leaves of the dendrobiums.

## Dendrobium Watering

Dendrobiums require watering between 2 to 3 times a week depending on the media in which they are planted. Watering in the morning can help prevent any possible root rot as the media will dry out by evening. Watering should be slowed down dramatically during winter.