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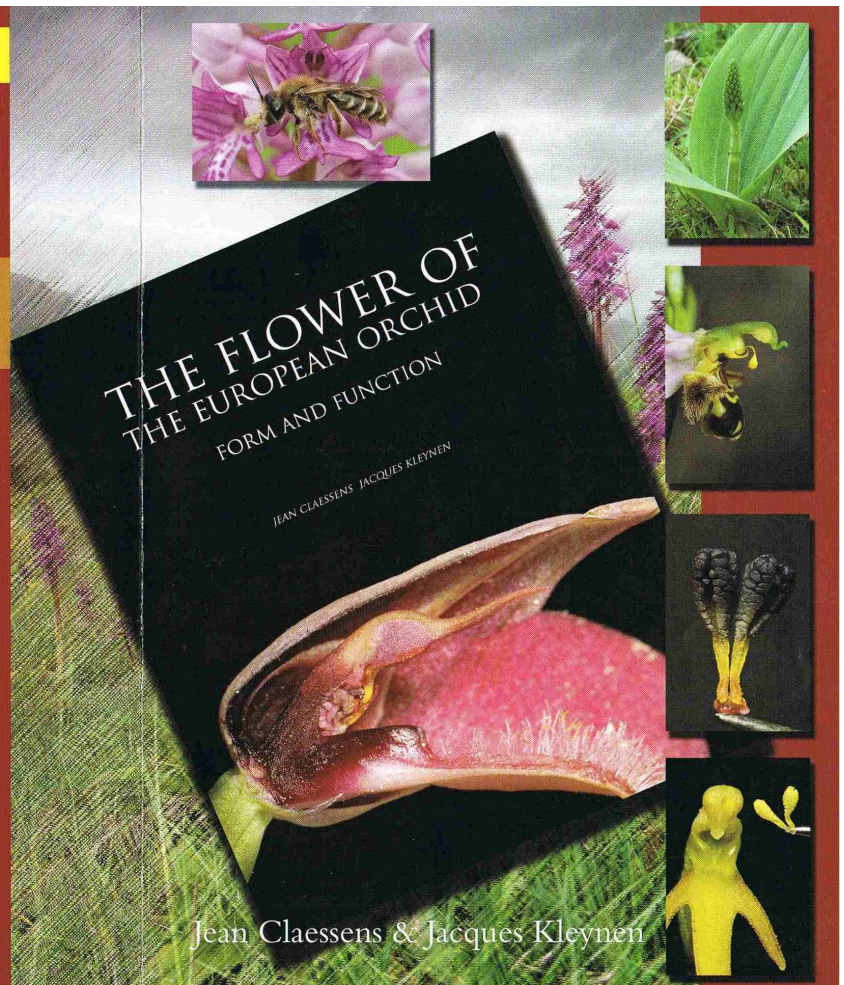
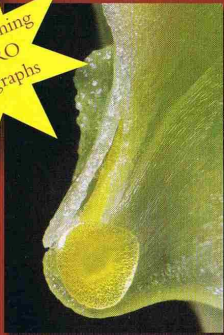
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In this book all European orchid genera are described and photographed in great detail. A special emphasis is paid to the adaptation of the structure of the orchid flower to the morphology and behavior of the pollinator.

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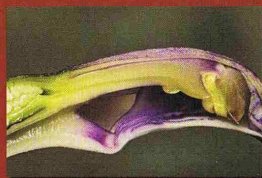
This is the first time that the columns of all European orchid genera have been photographed and published.

The book presents new facts about various genera, including *Corallorhiza*, *Chamorchis*, *Limodorum* and *Malaxis*.

The first section provides an exhaustive description of all the flower parts with many detailed and instructive photographs which help to understand the structure of an orchid flower.

In the main part each of the European orchid genera is presented in an individual chapter. A comprehensive descriptive section illustrates how the flower parts have changed and adapted to the main pollinators. A survey of old and recent literature completed with many detailed observations follows.

The book contains many superb photographs of plant, rosette, flower, column, pollinators and seed capsules of each genus.



Various appendices contain additional information:

- All known pollinators
- Up-to-date review of all autogamous European orchid species
- Time it takes the caudicles to bend forward
- Numerous data on fruit set of most European orchids
- Number of seeds per capsule of many species
- Glossary with all terms used
- Extensive bibliography gives an overview of all relevant old and new literature

