

Notylia parvilabia C. Schweinfurth sp. nov.

Herba parvula, caespitosa. Pseudobulbi parvi, aggregati, complanato-cylindracei, unifoliati, vaginis pluribus distichis valde imbricatis vestiti. Folia oblonga vel lanceolato-oblonga, apice rotundata, infra plusminusve

angustata. Inflorescentia lateralis, basalis, arcuato-recurva, foliis longior. Racemus dense multiflorus. Bracteae floresque reflexi. Flores parvi, omnino glabri, segmentis patentibus. Sepalum dorsale valde fornicatum et concavum, expansum lanceolato-oblongum, acutum. Sepala lateralia in laminam oblongo-lanceolatam vel lanceolato-ellipticam minute bidentatam connata. Petala lanceolato-oblonga vel ob lanceolato-oblonga, subacuta. Labellum parvum, unguiculatum; lamina rhombico-ovata, parte inferiore carinata. Columna satis longa, cylindracea.

Plant small, caespitose. Roots fibrous, glabrous. Rhizome abbreviated. Pseudobulbs small, aggregated, complicate-cylindric, unifoliate, rugose-striate in the dried specimen, about 1.3 cm. or less long, invested and more or less concealed by several distichous closely imbricating sheaths of which the upper one or two on each side are leaf-bearing. Leaves oblong or ob lanceolate-oblong, rounded at the apex with slightly unequal lobes and a caducous apicule, more or less narrowed below with a conduplicate base, 4.8–11.3 cm. long, about 1.4 cm. or less wide, thickly coriaceous, with the mid-nerve rather prominently exserted beneath. Inflorescences lateral, basal, solitary, arcuate-recurved, more or less surpassing the leaves; peduncle about 7.5 cm. or less long, provided with a few short, erect-spreading sheaths which are remote above and imbricating at the base; raceme densely many-flowered (incomplete in our specimens). Floral bracts short, linear-lanceolate, reflexed. Flowers small, reflexed, entirely glabrous, with widely spreading subfleshy segments. Dorsal sepal strongly fornicate and concave, when expanded lanceolate-oblong, acute, about 5 mm. or less long and 2 mm. wide. Lateral sepals con-nate into an oblong-lanceolate or lanceolate-elliptic deeply concave lamina which is minutely bidentate at the apex and is about as long and broad as the dorsal

sepal. Petals lanceolate-oblong or oblanceolate-oblong, subacute, more or less oblique, about 4 mm. long, 1-1.2 mm. wide. Lip small, adnate to the base of the column, distinctly shorter than the column, conspicuously clawed, up to 2.2 mm. long; claw about 1 mm. or less long, gradually merging with the lamina, with a high central keel that extends to about the middle of the lamina; lamina rhombic-ovate with incurved sides, narrowed to a subacute apex, about 1.6 mm. wide when expanded. Column long, cylindric, abruptly recurved at the apex, about 3.5 mm. or less long at the back, more or less clavate.

This species is allied to *Notylia Koehleri* Schltr., which has a lip about equaling the petals and much exceeding the column.

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