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# Press Release

## Thompson & Morgan launches first outdoor miniature Japanese orchid

Thompson & Morgan's new and world exclusive Orchid 'Butterfly Wings' Mixed is a spectacular hardy miniature orchid. Previously only available to private collectors this stunning orchid is now available to home gardeners for the first time - exclusively from Thompson & Morgan.

Originally a native species of the rocky mountains of Japan and often known as the 'Butterfly Wings Orchid', it is an extremely sought-after plant and highly prized by collectors, especially in Japan.

For the last 30 years or so, breeding has brought about many beautiful cultivars. This has resulted in a range of inter-subspecific hybrids of *Ponerorchis graminifolia*, bred for their more elaborate flowers and stronger flower stems. Orchid 'Butterfly Wings' Mixed is produced from this range.



The dainty blooms of Orchid 'Butterfly Wings' Mixed, though diminutive, produce a magnificent display during late spring and early summer with a fine procession of graceful flowers in a wide range of colours. The paler blooms, in particular, give off a wonderful vanilla scent.

Gardeners will be delighted to learn that Orchid 'Butterfly Wings' Mixed is remarkably hardy and can withstand temperatures of as low as 0°C and lower. It is a tuberous terrestrial orchid, ideal planted in borders, patio pots or window boxes. Grow in a fine bark mix and keep totally dry and cool during its winter dormancy.

'Butterfly Wings' flowers are just 1.75cm (3/4 in) in size and each plant produces between 5 and 25 blooms which last for about a month. More flowers are produced as the plant matures. *3 naturally small tubers cost £14.99.*

**To place an order call: 0844 573 2020 or shop online at Thompson & Morgan's secure website [www.thompson-morgan.com](http://www.thompson-morgan.com)**



Orchid Mixed  
'Butterfly Wings'

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