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*Dactylorhiza incarnata*

[Synonyms : *Dactylorchis incarnata*, *Dactylorhiza strictifolia*, *Orchis angustifolia*, *Orchis divaricata*, *Orchis incarnata*, *Orchis latifolia*, *Orchis strictifolia*]

**EARLY MARSH-ORCHID** is an orchid. Native to Asia and Europe (including Britain) it has small, straight-spurred, purple, pink to whitish flowers with a bluntly diamond-shaped lip.

It is also known as Ballock grass, Bullock grass, Cain and Abel, *Fleischfarbenes Knabenkraut* (German), *Kødfarvet gøgeurt* (Danish), Marsh-orchid, Meadow orchid, Mount caper, *Orchis incarnat* (French), *Prstnatec pleťový* (Czech), *Satirião bastardo* (Portuguese), *Tegeirian y Gors* (Welsh), and *Vleeskleurige orchis* (Dutch).

*Incarnata* means ‘flesh pink-coloured’.