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Dactylorhiza purpurella

[Synonyms : *Dactylorchis incarnata* subsp. *pulchella*, *Dactylorchis majalis* subsp. *purpurella*, *Dactylorchis purpurella*, *Orchis latifolia*, *Orchis purpurella*]

NORTHERN MARSH-ORCHID is a deciduous orchid. Native to northern Asia and to northern Europe (including Britain), it has thick-spurred, wine-purple flowers with a tiny lip.

It is also known as Dwarf marsh-orchid, Dwarf purple orchid, *Purpur-Gøgeurt* (Danish), *Purpurnyckelblomster* (Swedish), *Strandnycklar* (Swedish), and *Tegeirian y Migin* (Welsh).

Purpurella is derived from Latin *purpura* (purple, purple dye) meaning ‘pale purple or purplish’.