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*Ophrys*

*Orchidaceae*

*Ophrys* is for some authorities a Greek word meaning ‘eyebrow’ and for others a Greek name for a two-leaved orchid or a bee orchid.

The tubers of some of these species (as also some of the *Dactylorhiza* and *Orchis* species) have been used like a type of arrowroot to make a food known as salep which used to be familiar in western Europe (and continues to be popular in the Middle East).