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Orchis papilionacea

[Synonyms : *Orchis decipiens*, *Orchis expansa*, *Orchis heroïca*, *Orchis papilionacea* subsp. *heroïca*, *Orchis papilionacea* var. *rubra*, *Orchis rubra*]

PINK BUTTERFLY ORCHID is an orchid. Native to the Mediterranean it has deep red to purple flowers with a large reddish-purple lip and a short spur (framed by large leaf-like, pinkish bracts).

It is also known as Butterfly orchid, Butterfly orchis, *Cipressini* (Italian), *Eva borbeleta* (Portuguese), *Orchis papillon* (French), *Schmetterlings-Knabenkraut* (German), and *Vstavač motýlovitý* (Czech).

Papilionacea is derived from Latin *papilio* (butterfly) meaning 'like a butterfly'.