

## Preface

Volume 25 of the *Flora of China* is the 17th of the 24 text volumes in the series. It includes one family, 194 genera, and 1,388 species, among which 11 genera and 491 species (35.4%) are endemic to China, and one genus and one species are introduced to China.

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The 18th text volume in the series (vol. 10) will consist entirely of the Fabaceae (1,650–1,700 species).

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