

91. ACROCEPHALUS Bentham, Edward's Bot. Reg. 15: t. 1282. 1829.

尖头花属 *jian tou hua shu*

Herbs annual, slightly rigid. Leaves short petiolate, dentate. Verticillasters in terminal or rarely axillary, globose or cylindrical capitula; floral leaves 2 or 4, bright colored; bracts numerous, overlapping, conspicuous. Flowers pedicellate. Calyx ovoid in flower, tubular, saccate at base in fruit, slightly constricted at glabrous throat, limb 2-lipped, upper lip entire or dentate; lower lip entire, apex emarginate or 4-toothed. Corolla bluish or purplish, rarely white, throat dilated, limb 2-lipped, upper lip short 4-lobed; lower lip entire, slightly longer than upper, sometimes lobes subequal. Stamens 4, declinate; filaments free, edentate, inserted on throat; anthers ovoid. Style apex equally 2-cleft. Nutlets ovoid or oblong, smooth.

About five or six species: Asia, one species in China.

African plants formerly included in this genus are now placed in *Haumaniastrum*.

1. Acrocephalus indicus (N. Burman) Kuntze, Revis. Gen. Pl. 2: 511. 1891.

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Prunella indica N. Burman, Fl. Indica 130. 1768;
Acrocephalus capitatus (Roth) Bentham; *Ocymum capitatum* Roth.

Herbs or sometimes subshrubs, to 1 m. Stems base sometimes prostrate, ± woody, much branched; branches slender, ascending, glabrous or sparsely villous on 2 sides. Petiole 2–7 mm; leaf blade lanceolate to ovate, 1.2–5 cm × 5–12 mm, herbaceous, adaxially subglabrous, abaxially sparsely glandular, sparsely minutely hispid on veins, base attenuate-decurrent, margin remotely serrate, apex obtuse. Verticillasters many flowered, overlapping, in globose or ellipsoid capitula; bracts sessile, rhombic-flabellate, ca. 3 mm, acute, concave, base densely villous outside, glabrous inside. Calyx ca. 1.5 mm, pilose; upper lip entire, long; lower lip 4-toothed, teeth subulate, ciliate; fruiting calyx dilated, tubular, to 3 mm. Corolla white to purple-red, ca. 2 mm, slightly exerted. Stamens included, anterior 2 longer. Nutlets dark brown, ovoid, ca. 1 mm. Fl. Sep-Oct, fr. Nov.

Rice paddies, forest margins, streamsides, bamboo forests; 100–1800 m. Guizhou, Yunnan [India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam].

