

15. STILBANTHUS J. D. Hooker, Hooker's Icon. Pl. 13: 67. 1879.

巨菟藤属 ju xian teng shu

Climbers large, woody, with pendulous branches. Leaves opposite. Spikes terminal or axillary from uppermost nodes, often paniced, on pendulous peduncles; midvein of bracteoles flexible, mucronate. Tepals 5, rigid. Stamens 5; filaments shortly connate at base, alternating with pseudostaminodes, pseudostaminodes oblong, long fimbriate; anthers 2-loculed. Ovary oblong, compressed; style slender; stigma minute. Fruit oblong, 1-seeded, indehiscent.

One species: Asia.

1. *Stilbanthus scandens* J. D. Hooker, Hooker's Icon. Pl. 13: 67. 1879.

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Branchlets soft, sparsely tomentose. Leaves opposite; petiole 1.2–2.5 cm; leaf blade broadly elliptic, 4–7 × 2.5–4.5 cm, sparsely tomentose especially at margin, apex acuminate. Flowers perfect, large. Inflorescences terminal or axillary spikes, 3–5 cm, less branched; rachis hairy. Bracts persistent, ovate, ca. 2.6 mm, bracteoles equaling bracts, falling off with

perianth in fruit. Tepals straight, ovate-lanceolate, ca. 4.5 mm, enlarging to 9 mm in fruit, hairy at apex. Stamens 5; filaments linear, hairy, shortly connate at base, alternating with oblong, fimbriate pseudostaminodes; anthers 2-loculed. Ovary oblong, compressed, ca. 4.5 × 3 mm; style ca. 3.5 mm, slender, hairy at base; stigmas minute. Utricles oblong, ca. 3.5 mm, hairy at apex. Seeds shiny.

Forests; 900–2300 m. Guangxi, Yunnan [Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Sikkim].

