

**8. PARAISOMETRUM** W. T. Wang in A. L. Weitzman et al., Novon 7: 431. 1998.

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Herbs, perennial, rhizomatous, stemless. Leaves many, basal; leaf blade pubescent to woolly, base cuneate to broadly cuneate. Inflorescences lax, axillary, few-flowered cymes; bracts 2, opposite. Calyx actinomorphic, 5-sect from base; segments equal. Corolla purple, zygomorphic, inside minutely puberulent on lobes; tube funnellform-tubular, not swollen, longer than limb, 3–5 mm in diam.; limb 2-lipped; adaxial lip 4-lobed; over 2 × longer than abaxial lip; abaxial lip undivided, apex rounded to acute. Stamens 4, adnate to corolla tube above middle, included; anthers basifixed, coherent in pairs by adaxial surfaces, thecae parallel, not confluent, dehiscing longitudinally; connective not projecting; staminode 1, adnate to adaxial side of corolla tube. Disc ringlike. Ovary linear, 1-loculed; placentas 2, parietal, projecting inward, 2-cleft. Stigma 1, terminal, depressed capitate, undivided. Fruit and seeds unknown.

• One species: endemic to China.

**1. *Paraisometrum mileense*** W. T. Wang in A. L. Weitzman et al., Novon 7: 434. 1998.

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Petiole 0.2–4.2 cm, brownish woolly; leaf blade elliptic to oblong elliptic, 2–4.8 × 1.2–1.8 cm, adaxially densely appressed white pubescent, abaxially densely brownish woolly, margin obtusely denticulate, apex obtuse to rounded. Peduncle 6.5–12 cm, densely brownish pubescent; bracts lanceolate-linear, 7–10 × 1.2–3 mm. Calyx segments lanceolate-linear, 3–5.3 × 0.8–1 mm, outside densely tomentose. Corolla 1.6–1.8 cm; tube 1.3–1.4 cm; adaxial lip 3–4 × ca. 8.5 mm, lobes triangular, central 2 ca. 1.2 mm, lateral 2 ca. 1.6 × 2 mm; abaxial lip deltoid, ca. 2.2 × 3 mm. Stamens ca. 6 mm, glabrous; staminode ca. 0.8 mm. Pistil ca. 1 cm, glabrous; ovary ca. 9 mm. Fruit unknown. Fl. Feb.

• SE Yunnan (Mile Xian).

