
芯苞属 xin bao shu

Herbs, perennial. Stems numerous. Leaves sessile, apex apiculate. Inflorescences racemose; flowers 1–4 per stem, pedicellate. Bracteoles 2, linear-lanceolate, herbaceous, margin entire or sometimes 1- or 2-toothed. Calyx tube cylindric, hairy; lobes 5, subulate to linear-lanceolate, subequal, margin 1–3-toothed between lobes. Corolla yellow, outside sparsely pilose, 2-lipped; lower lip 3-lobed, lobes obovate; upper lip erect, 2-lobed. Stamens 4, didynamous; filaments inserted near base of corolla tube; anthers scarcely exserted, dorsifixed, basally mucronulate. Style exserted. Capsule narrowly ovoid, leathery. Seeds flattened or somewhat trigonous, narrowly winged.

Four or five species: China, Russia; two species in China.

1a. Plants densely white sericeous; anthers 4–4.5 mm, apically pilose .................................................... 1. **C. daurica**

1b. Plants pilose; anthers 3–3.6 mm, glabrous or sometimes apically with few hairs .................................  2. **C. mongolica**

1. **Cymbaria daurica** Linnaeus, Sp. Pl. 2: 618. 1753.

达乌里芯苞 da wu li xin bao

Herbs, 6–23 cm tall, densely white sericeous. Leaves opposite, linear to linear-lanceolate, usually 1–2 cm × 2–3 mm, densely white sericeous, margin entire or rarely 2- or 3-lobed, apex acuminate and apiculate. Flowers axillary, solitary. Bracteoles inserted at calyx and pedicel junction, 1.1–2 cm × 2–4 mm. Corolla 3–4.5 cm, outside white hairy, inside glandular. Anther locules 4–4.5 mm, apically pilose. Capsule 1–1.3 cm × 8–9 mm. Seeds ovoid, 3–4 × 2–2.5 mm. Fl. Jun–Aug, fr. Jul–Sep.

Dry mountain slopes, sandy grassland; 600–1100 m. Hebei, Heilongjiang, Jilin, Nei Mongol [Mongolia, Russia (E Siberia)].


蒙古芯苞 meng gu xin bao

*Cymbaria linearifolia* Hao.

Herbs, 5–20 cm tall, pilose. Leaves opposite below, occasionally ± alternate and gradually increasing in size and becoming narrower upward. Leaf blade oblong-lanceolate, ca. 1.2 cm × 3–4 mm. Bracteoles entire or with 1 or 2 small teeth near tip of pedicels. Corolla 2.5–3.5 cm. Anther locules 3–3.6 mm, glabrous or occasionally apically with few hairs. Capsule 1–1.1 cm × ca. 5 mm. Seeds narrowly ovoid, 4–4.5 × ca. 2 mm. Fl. Apr–Aug.

- Dry mountain slopes; 800–2000 m. Gansu, Hebei, Nei Mongol, Qinghai, Shaanxi, Shanxi.