

Mounting Orchids: Potting Without Pots

Equipment & Supplies

Latex/Rubber gloves	Tools: Pliers, Zip Ties, Wire Cutters, Scissors, Plant Tape, Wire Hangers, etc.	Media of Choice (Sphagnum Moss or Coconut Fiber)
Wash Tubs (2) Hose & Water	Mounting Material (Wood, Clay, Cork Bark, Driftwood, etc.) prepared as needed	Butane Torch/Sanitizing Tools/Isopropyl Alcohol, Powdered Cinnamon, Hydrogen Peroxide and/or Quat Disinfectant (Phyosan 20 or Pool Algaecide)

Mounting your Plant(s):

1. Disinfect/sanitize surfaces, tools, etc. prior to beginning the process.
2. Begin with a new or just-divided and properly-prepared plant. Assure any/all media and any dead (soft, brown/black) roots are completely removed.
3. Identify the new roots near the base of the stem. **NOTE:** These new roots must be securely and directly attached to the mount, with nothing between the roots and the mount. Optional: Place a handful of “prepped” Sphagnum Moss or Coconut Fiber against the outside of the roots, not between the roots and the mount.
4. Tie the moss & roots securely to the mount using zip ties, plant tape, etc. **NOTE:** Roots must be securely attached to surface with no chance for movement so as to damage the sensitive roots!
5. Add a plant label with Plant Name/Type and Date of Mounting, attach to plant, and hang as desired.
6. Repeat Steps 1-4 for each plant, assuring that you have properly sanitized/disinfected all surfaces, tools, etc.