

# *Kalmiopsis fragrans*

Ericaceae

Fragrant kalmiopsis

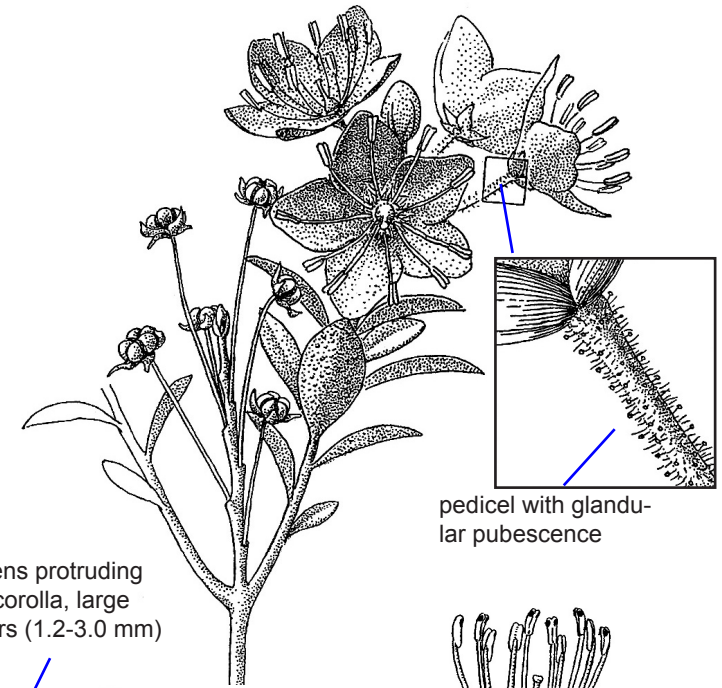


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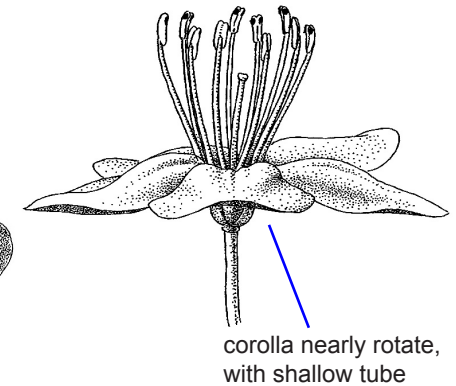
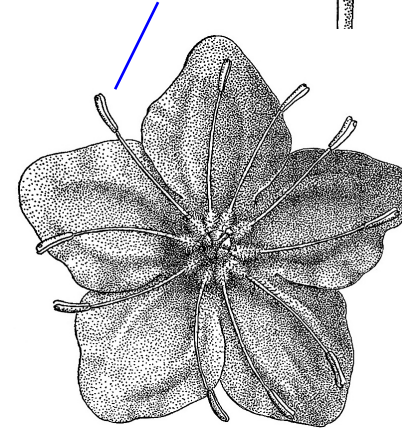


best survey times  
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stamens protruding from corolla, large anthers (1.2-3.0 mm)

pedicel with glandular pubescence



corolla nearly rotate, with shallow tube

Illustration by John Megahan.  
from: A New Species of *Kalmiopsis* (Ericaceae) from the Southern Cascade Mountains of Oregon. (1994)  
R.J. Meinke & T.N. Kaye, report by Native Plant Conservation Program of Oregon Dept. Agriculture.

**Plant** is a perennial, evergreen, multi-stemmed shrub, may be erect or trailing and matted. **Stems** from a thickened base, glabrous, exfoliating, reddish-gray bark. **Leaves** mostly terminal, crowded, shiny, dark green and glabrous above, golden crystalline glands below, elliptic-obovate, short petiole. **Inflorescence** terminal corymbose raceme, 4-7 flowers, fragrant, calyx urn or bell-shaped, pale pink, sepals overlapping at the base, corolla 16-28 mm, reddish-purple to pink, lacking a defined throat, nearly flat as petal lobes reflex, stamens 10, spreading to erect, protruding from corolla, dense golden pubescence at base of filaments. **Fruit** a depressed capsule, shallowly five lobed and glandular-warty, 3-5 mm wide.

### Lookalikes

*Kalmiopsis leachiana*

### differs from featured plant by

its smaller corolla, shorter stamens, lack of golden pubescence at the base of the filaments, well-defined corolla tube, and its lack of fragrance.

## *Kalmiopsis fragrans* Meinke & Kaye

Fragrant kalmiopsis

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**Distribution:** Douglas County, Oregon

**Habitat:** Rock outcrops and crevices, in sun or shady coniferous forests.

**Elevation:** 400–1600 m

**Best survey time (in flower):** Late April to late June

### **Associated species:**

*Pseudotsuga menziesii* (Douglas fir)

*Abies grandis* (Grand fir)

*Tsuga heterophylla* (Western hemlock)

*Calocedrus decurrens* (Incense cedar)

*Thuja plicata* (Western redcedar)

*Pinus lambertiana* (Sugar pine)

*Berberis nervosa* (Cascade Oregon grape, Long leaved Oregon grape)

*Gaultheria shallon* (Salal)

*Oxalis oregana* (Oregon wood sorrel, Redwood sorrel)

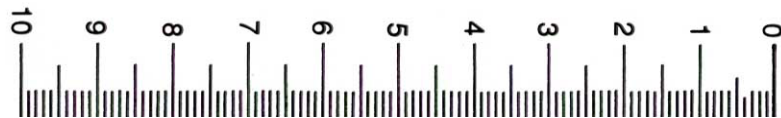
*Polystichum munitum* (Common sword fern)

*Linnaea borealis* (Twinflower)

*Rhododendron macrophyllum* (Pacific rhododendron, Western rhododendron)

*Acer circinatum* (Vine maple)

*Toxicodendron diversilobum* (Poison oak)



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