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Malaxis bulusanensis Ames sp. nov. Caulis foliis radicalibus brevior, di- vel triphyllus, basi plus minusve tumidus. Folia elliptico-lanceolata vel elliptica, acuta, gradatim in petiolum contracta, membranacea, in sicco valde chartacea, multinervia. Petiolus caulem vaginans, amplus. Pedunculus elongatus, folia multo excedens, infra racemum paucibracteatus. Racemus elongatus bracteis flores subtendentibus valde deflexis, triangulari-linearibus. Sepala lateralia elliptica, apice cucullata, valde obtusa, quadrinervia. Sepalum dorsale oblongum, obtusum, trinervium, margine revoluta. Petala lineari-oblonga, obtusa, uninervia, margine valde revoluta. Labellum antice octo- vel decemdentatum, post columnam in auriculas permagnas longe triangulas productum. Discus ante foveam callo transverso instructus. Columna generis.

Roots fibrous, villose. Stems about 4.5 cm. tall. 2-3-leaved, more or less tumid at the base, concealed by sheathing petioles. Lamina of the leaves 9-13.5 cm. long, up to 5.5 cm. wide, elliptic-lanceolate or elliptical, acute, membranaceous, many-nerved, gradually contracted into wide petioles which become sheathing at the base. Peduncles up to 35 cm. long, much exceeding the leaves, with a few linear bracts below the raceme, longitudinally and shallowly sulcate. Racemes up to 21 cm. long, very slender, about 1 cm. in diameter, many-flowered, flowers opening in succession. Bracts of the raceme about 5 mm. long, narrowly triangular-lanceolate, acute, sharply deflexed. Ovary 6-winged, curved. Lateral sepals 5 mm. long, elliptical, cucullate at the tip, 4-nerved. Dorsal sepal 6 mm. long, about 2 mm. wide near the middle, oblong, obtuse, 3-nerved, margin revolute. Petals 5 mm. long, 1 mm. wide, linearoblong, obtuse, 1-nerved, margin revolute. Labellum including the auricles 9 mm. long, 5.5 mm. wide in front of the column, coarsely 8-10-toothed or lobulate in front, cordatesagittate in outline; auricles 4 mm. long, 2 mm. wide, triangular, subacute, prolonged behind the column. Disc with a small transverse thickening or callus in front of the shallow fovea. Column 2 mm. long.

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Allied to Malaxis Taylorii Ames, from which it differs in the structure of the labellum.

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