Pescatoria cerina (Lindl. & Paxton) Rchb.f.

Synonyms

- Huntleya cerina Lindl. & Paxton in Paxton's Fl. Gard. 3: 62 (1852)
- Zygopetalum cerinum (Lindl. & Paxton) Rchb.f. in W.G.Walpers, Ann. Bot. Syst. 6: 651 (1863)
- Pescatoria costaricensis Schltr. in Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg. Beih. 19: 139 (1923)

Pescatoria cerina was collected by Josef Warscewicz in 1851 on Volcan Chiriqui in Panamá. *Pescerina* can be found growing widespread in Costa Rica and Panamá at elevation of 3,200 to 8,500 feet. (Rhodehamel 2006).



Pescatoria cerina 'Bryon' AM/AOS (82 points) Photo by Bryon Rinke



Pescatoria cerina 'Daniel Ramirez' AM/AOS (85 points)

Pes. cerina, received 11 AOS awards according to OrchidWiz X9.1. There are 4 AM, 4 HCC and 3 CCM. The most recent award granted two years ago is an AM of 82 for Pes. cerina 'Bryon'. Interestingly the highest award, AM 85 points looked like a young blooming and was not full open to get a fair judgment.

There are just 13 offspring, first generation and 23 total progenies. Like other members of the *Zygopetallum* Alliance, *Pes. cerina* was breeding with different genus of the group like *Warczewiczella, Stenia, Pabstia, Kefersteinia* and *Cochleanthes*.

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