



Orchid
The Fatal Attraction
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- Discusses all that orchids have stood for in the course of history
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The history of orchids teems with tales of temptation and passion. This stunning book combines the most luscious and tactile photographs with surprising and informative texts about orchids. The first part of the book tells the tale about the discovery of this favored flower through history and describes the way in which orchids are perceived. In the East the emphasis lies mainly on positive characteristics, grace and generosity. In the West, orchids personify procreation and sex. Why are orchids the way they are? Why those amazing, complicated shapes? Why those incredible colors? In *Orchid: The Fatal Attraction*, Anne Ronse discusses everything orchids have stood for in the course of history.