

# Manitoba Native Orchids Compendium

Western Spotted Coralroot - yellow spotless form (*Corallorhiza maculata* (Rafinesque) Rafinesque var *occidentalis* (Lindley) Ames- forma *immaculata* (Peck) Howell )



Equally impressive is the yellow spotless form (*Corallorhiza* var *occidentalis* forma *immaculata*). This colour form has bright yellow stems and flowers with a spotless (immaculate) white lip. The setting for the particular colony where this photograph was taken is unique. A small Ukrainian church provides company for the flowering stems among pine trees in a rural graveyard. My wife and I make a return visit to this site every year and have found that the appearance of flowering stems has been highly variable. In a good growing year with adequate moisture and warm temperatures, many stems appear while in other years only a few stems may show.