

SPECIAL REVIEW: *NEPENTHES INERMIS* MODEL

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Here is something a little off the beaten path. Josh Cook has created a 1:1 model kit of *Nepenthes inermis*. This model is made out of resin, and is intended to represent the pitcher and attaching tendril of this remarkable plant.

The model consists of four parts—the pitcher, the narrow lid, a small base, and a wire post that attaches the base to the bottom of the pitcher. You must attach the lid to the pitcher. In order to finish this model, you will require glue, putty, sanding material, and a suitable set of model paints to transform the off-white model into a more attractive and botanically accurate light green. The model is accompanied by some information

about *Nepenthes inermis*.

If you like carnivorous plants and are also adept at painting models, this model is for you. It is priced at US\$14.99 within the USA, US\$19.99 elsewhere. Josh tells me that he has at least more carnivorous plant models in development (including *Nepenthes lowii*, *N. clipeata*, *N. rajah*, *Utricularia gibba* and *Dionaea*), as well as other botanical oddities such as *Amorphophallus titanum* (1:6 scale, 46 cm/18 inches tall) and *Rafflesia arnoldii* (1:2 scale, 46 cm/18 inches diameter). If you want to see these proposed models, support the development by purchasing this one! For more information go to <http://www.jurassic-gardens.com>.

A black and white advertisement for Black Jungle Terrarium Supply. The background features a row of white, skeletal-looking structures that resemble the pitchers and tendrils of carnivorous plants. The text is overlaid on this background.

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