

Provenance for *Hydnophytum* species from the Philippines, known as the “shoe caudex”:

My material of this species is derived from seed collected off a wild plant growing as an epiphyte in the Philippines. The seeds were collected in 2006 by Merlin Sy of Pinoy Plants. The seeds were grown by Jay Vannini here in the USA. He sent me 3 seedlings of their offspring in 2014.

This species is slow growing and stingy about making flowers and fruits. It is probably a part of the *Hydnophytum moseleyanum* complex of species. The caudex has a very interesting and distinctive form with large, slot-like entry holes concentrated on one end of a somewhat elongate caudex. It is sometimes sold as *Hydnophytum* species “shoe caudex”

Here is a photo of the plant I will be sending you. It is one of the seedlings Jay sent me in 2014. It is now growing in a 3-1/4 “ pot.

