

**Table S8.** Morphological characteristics observed and measured for *Engelhardia* (25 in total). Bold font indicates the 14 characters used for principal component analysis.

State	Type	Coding		
1 <b>Thickness of leaflets(mm)</b>	quantitative			
2 a: Length of leaflets(cm)	quantitative			
3 b:Width of leaflets(cm)	quantitative			
4 <b>a/b</b>	quantitative			
5 <b>Length of petiole (cm)</b>	quantitative			
6 Number of lateral veins	quantitative			
7 <b>Number of leaflets(twain)</b>	quantitative			
8 Length of inflorescences(cm)	quantitative			
9 Length of middle bracts(cm)	quantitative			
10 Width of middle bracts(cm)	quantitative			
11 Length of lateral bracts(cm)	quantitative			
12 Width of lateral bracts(cm)	quantitative			
13 Length of carpopodium(cm)	quantitative			
14 <b>Apex of leaflets</b>	qualitative	acuminate(0)	shortly acuminate(1)	elliptic(2)
15 Base of leaflets	qualitative	rounded(0)	oblique(1)	
16 <b>Margin of leaflets</b>	qualitative	entire(0)	serrata(1)	
17 <b>Hairs of leaflets</b>	qualitative	glabrous(0)	lightly hirsute(1)	densely hirsute(2)
18 <b>Arrange of leaflets</b>	qualitative	equals(0)	gradually becomes smaller(1)	the last pair small dramatically(2)
19 <b>Colour of twigs</b>	qualitative	black(0)	grayish white(1)	else(2)
20 <b>Hairs of branchlet</b>	qualitative	glabrous(0)	densely hirsute(1)	lightly hirsute(2)
21 <b>Hairs of terminal bud</b>	qualitative	glabrous(0)	densely hirsute(1)	lightly hirsute(2)
22 <b>Position of inflorescences</b>	qualitative	old branch(0)	new branch(1)	
23 Flowers	qualitative	female(0)	male(1)	both(2)
24 <b>Inflorescences</b>	qualitative	terminal(0)	lateral(1)	
25 <b>Hairs of fruit</b>	qualitative	glabrous(0)	densely hirsute(1)	