

Caladenia ambusta

Name and Authority

Caladenia ambusta A.P.Br. & G.Brockman

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia sp. 'Boranup'

Common Name

Boranup Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia huegelii (King Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Andrew Brown & Garry Brockman in Nuytsia 25:58-59, Fig. 1 (2015)

Distribution and Habitat

South-west of Margaret River, growing in sandy soils in coastal woodlands and shrublands, flowering best in the season following summer fire.

Flowering Months

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Description

A late flowering species 250–350 mm high with a hairy leaf 120–170 mm long by 4–9 mm wide and up to three variably coloured red, cream, green and yellow flowers 50–60 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Broad-lipped Spider Orchid (*Caladenia applanata*) by its later flowering period, smaller flowers and forward-projecting, laterally concave labellum with up-curved, rather than spreading labellum fringe segments.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Two

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