

Caladenia longicauda subsp. albella

Name and Authority

Caladenia longicauda subsp. albella Hopper & A.P.Br.

Common Name

Small-lipped White Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia longicauda (White Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in Nuytsia 14:108-109, Fig. 19A-F (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Arrowsmith to Gingin and inland to Wongan Hills, growing in sandy and sandy-clay soil on the edges of seasonally wet flats, watercourses and lakes.

Flowering Months

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Description

A geographically restricted **subspecies** 250–450 mm high with a hairy leaf 120–200 mm long by 3–11 mm wide and up to four predominantly creamy-white, acridly-scented flowers 50–100 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the closely related Daddy long-legs White Spider Orchid (*Caladenia longicauda* subsp. *borealis*) by its smaller flowers, smaller **labellum** and preference for seasonally wet **habitat**.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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