

Caladenia longicauda subsp. calcigena

Name and Authority

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

Synonyms (previous names)

Arachnorchis longicauda subsp. calcigena

Common Name

Coastal White Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia longicauda (White Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in Nuytsia 14:112-113, Fig. 19G-L (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Bunbury to Dongara, growing in sandy soils in coastal woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A common west coastal [subspecies](#) 250–400 mm high with a hairy leaf 120–200 mm long by 8–12 mm wide and up to four white to creamy-white flowers 50–70 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is often confused with Daddy long-legs White Spider Orchid (*Caladenia longicauda* subsp. *borealis*) but is distinguished by its longer, distinctly [pendulous petals](#) and [lateral sepals](#), its [apical labellum lamina calli](#) that tend to aggregate in an irregular agglomeration rather than terminating in neat rows and its confinement to calcareous sands near the coast.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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