

Caladenia nobilis

Name and Authority

Caladenia nobilis Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia varians subsp. *nobilis*; *Calonema nobile*; *Calonemorichis nobilis*; *Jonesiopsis nobilis*

Common Name

Noble Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia filamentosa (Wispy Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in *Nuytsia* 14:253-256, Figs. 61G-M (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Capel to Nerren Nerren Station, growing in sandy and sandy-clay soils in woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A large-flowered **species** 200–350 mm (rarely to 400 mm) high with a hairy leaf 100–180 mm long by 3–6 mm wide and up to two creamy-white, greyish-white or yellowish-white flowers 100–130 mm across.

There are three forms—a Geraldton to Kalbarri form with greyish-white **petals** and **sepals** and a relatively broad **labellum**, a Geraldton to Gingin form with creamy-white **petals** and **sepals** and a slightly narrower **labellum** and a Perth to Capel form with creamy-white to yellowish-white **petals** and **sepals** and a very broad **labellum**.

Distinguishing Features

All are distinguished from the related Common Spider orchid (*Caladenia varians*) by their larger flowers and larger, broader **labellum**.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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