

Caladenia pachychila

Name and Authority

Caladenia pachychila Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia cairnsiana Wheat-belt form; *Calonema pachychilum*; *Calonemorichis pachychila*; *Jonesiopsis pachychila*; *Phlebochilus pachychila*

Common Name

Dwarf Zebra Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia cairnsiana (Zebra Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in *Nuytsia* 14:257-259, Figs. 61N-R (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Nerren Nerren Station to Israelite Bay, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and granitic soils in woodlands and shrublands. The [species](#) is particularly common on inland granite outcrops and rocky hills.

Flowering Months

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Description

An inland [species](#) 80–100 mm high with a hairy leaf 50–120 mm long by 4–5 mm wide and up to two greenish-yellow and red flowers 10–15 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Zebra orchid (*Caladenia cairnsiana*) by its shorter scapes, smaller lighter-coloured flowers, slightly spreading, rather than hanging [petals](#) and [lateral sepals](#) and narrower, less rounded [labellum](#) which is held horizontally and has a larger [apical callus](#).

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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