

Caladenia saxicola

Name and Authority

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

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia jaurdiensis;

Common Name

Banded Ironstone Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia filamentosa (Wispy Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Andrew Brown & Garry Brockman in *Nuytsia* 17:77-78, Fig. 1b (2007)

Distribution and Habitat

Karroun Hill to Coolgardie, growing in soil pockets on banded ironstone hills.

Flowering Months

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Description

An inland *species* 150–350 mm high with a hairy leaf 60–150 mm long by 3–5 mm wide and up to two creamy-white to pale yellow flowers 80–120 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Glistening Spider Orchid (*Caladenia incensum*) by its usually narrower leaf and smaller dull cream to pale yellow, rather than glistening white flowers. From Rock Spider Orchid (*Caladenia petrensis*) it is distinguished by its larger flowers, horizontally spreading to up curved *petals* and creamy-yellow *labellum lamina calli*. It is distinguished from both these *species* by its more easterly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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Caladenia saxicola distribution



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