

Caladenia speciosa

Name and Authority

Caladenia speciosa Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Arachnorchis speciosa; Calonemorchis speciosa

Common Name

Sandplain White Spider Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia longicauda (White Spider Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in Nuytsia 14:145-148, Figs. 28G-L (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Gingin to Lake Muir, growing in sandy soils in forests and woodlands.

Flowering Months

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Description

An attractive species 350–600 mm high with a hairy leaf 150–250 mm long by 5–12 mm wide and up to three creamy-white, pink-tinged flowers 100–150 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related White Spider Orchid (*Caladenia longicauda*) by its pinkish tinged flowers and larger labellum with prominent, sometimes bifurcated fringe segments.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Four



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Caladenia speciosa distribution



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