Caladenia x erminea

Name and Authority

Caladenia x erminea Hopper & A.P. Br.

Common Name

Dusky Fairy Orchid

Complex Name

Caladenia latifolia (Fairy Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in Nuytsia 14(1/2): 291, Fig. 71, 73 (2001)

Distribution and Habitat

Dandaragan to Augusta and eastwards to Esperance, growing in seasonally moist sandy and sandyclay soils in woodlands, shrublands and soil pockets on granite outcrops. It is particularly common in the season following summer fire.

Flowering Months

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Description

A <u>colony</u> forming <u>hybrid</u> 50–60 mm high with a dull green, prominently hairy leaf 40–60 mm long by 7–12 mm wide and up to three creamywhite to yellowish-white flowers 20–25 mm across.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

Notes

A hybrid between Cowslip Orchid (Caladenia flava) and White Fairy Orchid (C. marginata).

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