

Corysanthes autumnalis

Name and Authority

Corysanthes autumnalis (A.P.Br. & D.Edmonds) D.L.Jones

Synonyms (previous names)

Corybas autumnalis; Corybas sp. 'peat swamps'

Common Name

Peat Helmet Orchid

Originally Described by

Andrew Brown & D.Edmonds in The Orchadian 19(9): 392-393 (2019) as Corybas autumnalis

Distribution and Habitat

North of Walpole, growing in peaty soils in seasonally damp flats.

Flowering Months

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Description

An early flowering [species](#) 12–15 mm high (when flowering) with a smooth, rounded, ground-hugging leaf 5–8 mm long by 5–8 mm wide at the time of flowering, increasing to 9–12 mm long by 9–12 mm wide at maturity and a single creamy-white to pinkish-maroon flower 8–10 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the other Western Australian [Corysanthes species](#) by its earlier flowering period, small leaf which is often hidden by the flower and distinctive [labellum](#) boss with a prominent raised circular ridge.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Two



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