

# Corysanthes despectans

## Name and Authority

**Corysanthes despectans** (D.L.Jones & R.C.Nash) D.L.Jones & M.A.Clem.

## Synonyms (previous names)

Corybas despectans; includes Corybas.sp. 'Naturaliste'

## Common Name

Sandhill Helmet Orchid

## Originally Described by

David Jones & Ray Nash in Muelleria 3(3): 165, fig. 1 (1976) as Corybas despectans

## Distribution and Habitat

Israelite Bay to Yallingup, growing in sandy soils in coastal woodlands and shrublands. The [species](#) is also found in South Australia, Victoria and Tasmania.

## Flowering Months

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## Description

A coastal [species](#) 9–15 mm high (when flowering) with a smooth, rounded, ground-hugging leaf 10–20 mm long by 10–20 mm wide and a single purplish-red and green flower 7–9 mm across.

## Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the similarly coloured and sometimes co-occurring coastal [species](#) Crystal Helmet Orchid (*Corysanthes limpidus*) by its smaller flowers and shorter, narrower [dorsal sepal](#).

## WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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