

Cyanicula aperta

Name and Authority

Cyanicula aperta Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia aperta; *Cyanicula caerulea* subsp. *apertala*

Common Name

Western Tiny Blue Orchid

Complex Name

Cyanicula sericea (Blue Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in *Austral.Syst.Bot.* 17:229, Fig.13 (2004)

Distribution and Habitat

Katanning to Israelite Bay, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and lateritic soils in woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A common south-eastern [species](#) 50–150 mm high with a scarcely hairy leaf, 30–100 mm long by 3–4 mm wide, which is usually green on the underside and up to two bluish-mauve (rarely white) flowers 20–25 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Dainty Blue Orchid (*Cyanicula amplexans*) by its narrower leaf, more widely spaced [labellum lateral](#) lobes and south-easterly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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