Diuris filifolia

Name and Authority

Diuris filifolia Lindl.

Common Name

Cat's Face Orchid

Complex Name

Diuris laxiflora (Bee Orchids)

Originally Described by

John Lindley in Sketch Veg.Swan R. 51 (1840)

Distribution and Habitat

York to Lake Muir, growing in sandy soil on the edges of seasonal swamps, flowering best in the season following summer fire. Note: the <u>species</u> has not been seen for many years.



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Description

A rare <u>species</u> 250–450 mm high with six to 10 smooth leaves 80–120 mm long by 1.5–3 mm wide and up to seven pale yellow, brown marked flowers 20–25 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is very similar in morphology to Bristly Donkey Orchid (Diuris setacea), appearing to differ only in having straight rather than twisted leaves.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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<u>Diuris tilitoli</u>



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