

Eriochilus tenuis

Name and Authority

Eriochilus tenuis Lindl.

Common Name

Slender Bunny Orchid

Complex Name

Eriochilus scaber (Pink Bunny Orchids)

Originally Described by

John Lindley in Sketch Veg.Swan R. 53 (1840)

Distribution and Habitat

Augusta to Albany with a disjunct population near Perth, growing in sandy-clay soils in seasonally wet areas. The [species](#) flowers best in the season following summer fire with flowering plants rare or absent in unburnt bushland.

Flowering Months

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Description

A late flowering [species](#) 50–150 mm high (rarely to 250 mm high) with a cupped, ground hugging leaf 10–30 mm long by 5–15 mm wide and up to two pale to deep pink flowers 9–12 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from Pink Bunny Orchid (*Eriochilus scaber*) by its wholly pale to deep pink flowers, uniformly green leaf on both flowering and non-flowering plants and later flowering period.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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[Eriochilus tenuis distribution](#)



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