

Microtis brownii

Name and Authority

Microtis brownii Rchb.f.

Synonyms (previous names)

Microtis truncata; Microtis rara

Common Name

Sweet Mignonette Orchid

Complex Name

Microtis media (Common Mignonette Orchids)

Originally Described by

Heinrich Reichenbach in Beitr.Syst.Pflanzenk. 24 (1871)

Distribution and Habitat

Perth to Israelite Bay with disjunct populations north of Geraldton, growing in sandy-clay and lateritic soils in forests, woodlands and seasonally wet flats.

Flowering Months

Jan Nov Dec

Description

A common species 200–600 mm high with a smooth tubular leaf 150–500 mm long by 2–6 mm wide and up to 50 widely spaced green flowers 2.5–3 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from all other members of the Microtis media complex by its widely spaced flowers and labellum which is held flat against the ovary.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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