

## *Microtis media* subsp. *media*

### Name and Authority

***Microtis media* R.Br. subsp. *media***

### Common Name

Common Mignonette Orchid

### Complex Name

*Microtis media* (Common Mignonette Orchids)

### Originally Described by

Robert Brown in *Prodromus florae Novae Hollandiae et insulae Van-Diemen, exhibens characteres plantarum quas annis 1802-1805: 321* (1810) as *Microtis media*

### Distribution and Habitat

Shark Bay to Eyre, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and lateritic soils in forests, woodlands and shrublands. The subspecies is particularly common in seasonally wet flats and shallow soil pockets on granite outcrops.

### Flowering Months

Jan · · · · · Sep Oct Nov Dec

### Description

A common, widespread subspecies 200–600 mm high with a smooth tubular leaf 250–650 mm long by 3–8 mm wide and up to 100 yellowish-green flowers 2.5–3 mm across.

### Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the subsp. *densiflora* by its taller, less pyramidal shaped inflorescence, thicker textured labellum margins and distinctly raised apical labellum callus.

### WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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