

Nervilia holochila

Name and Authority

Nervilia holochila (F.Muell.) Schltr.

Synonyms (previous names)

Pogonia holochila

Common Name

Ribbed shield orchid

Originally Described by

Ferdinand von Mueller in *Fragmenta Phytographiae Australiae* 5(40): 200 (1866) as *Pogonia holochila*

Distribution and Habitat

North Kimberley, from Beverley Springs Station homestead, Prince Regent River, Mount Fyfe, Mitchell Plateau and Theda Station, growing in humus-rich to loamy soil or leaf litter in monsoonal vine thickets and also occasionally, savannah grassland. Also found in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Papua New Guinea.

Flowering Months

..... Nov Dec

Description

A distinctive species with a broad, pleated leaf 50–180 mm long by 40–80 mm wide, which appears following flowering and up to six short-lived, pink, cream and greenish flowers 25–30 mm across. The labellum is pink to mauve.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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