

Paracaleana alcockii

Name and Authority

Paracaleana alcockii Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caleana alcockii; *Sullivania alcockii*

Common Name

Alcock's Duck Orchid

Complex Name

Paracaleana nigrita (Flying Duck Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in *Austral.Syst.Bot.* 19:222-223, Fig. 6 (2006)

Distribution and Habitat

Murchison River to Eurardy Station, growing in yellow sandy soils in open woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

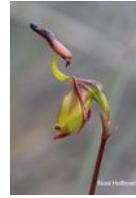
A rare **species** 80–160 mm high with a broad, smooth leaf 20–30 mm long by 5–12 mm wide and one (rarely two) inverted, greenish-yellow and red flowers 5–8 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Flying Duck Orchid (*Paracaleana nigrita*) by its fewer **lamina calli** which occupy a third rather than two thirds the length of the **labellum** and northerly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Two



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[*Paracaleana alcockii* distribution](#)



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