

Paracaleana parvula

Name and Authority

Paracaleana parvula Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caleana parvula; Sullivania parvula

Common Name

Esperance Duck Orchid

Complex Name

Paracaleana nigrita (Flying Duck Orchids)

Originally Described by

Stephen Hopper & Andrew Brown in Austral.Syst.Bot. 19:237-238, Fig. 23 (2006)

Distribution and Habitat

Gibson to Israelite Bay, growing in deep sand in shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A small flowered **species** 90–180 mm high with broad, smooth leaf 10–30 mm long by 3–5 mm wide and one (rarely two) inverted, greenish-yellow and red flowers 4–6 mm across. The leaf is usually withered at the time of flowering.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from Little Duck Orchid (*Paracaleana disjuncta*) with which it sometimes grows by its smaller flowers and shorter **labellum** with the **calli** confined to the tip.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Two



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