

Phoringopsis byrnesii

Name and Authority

Phoringopsis byrnesii (Blaxell) D.L.Jones & M.A.Clem.

Synonyms (previous names)

Arthrochilus byrnesii

Common Name

Spinifex elbow orchid

Originally Described by

Donald Federick Blaxell in Contributions from the New South Wales National Herbarium 4(5): 278, Pl. A1, Figs. D1, D2 (1972) as Arthrochilus byrnesii

Distribution and Habitat

North Kimberley region. Prince Regent River north to Theda Station, Mount Bomford and the King Edward River, growing in seasonally wet areas often associated with sandstone pavements. Also found in the Northern Territory. The [species](#) is sometimes associated with spinifex with the flower spikes produced inside the spinifex clump.

Flowering Months

Jan Feb Mar Dec

Description

A distinctive [species](#) 100–500 mm high with two to three smooth [linear](#) to broadly oval leaves 150–250 mm long by 8–15 mm wide and up to 15 dark red-brown to greenish-yellow flowers 8–10 mm across.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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