

Praecoxanthus aphyllus

Name and Authority

Praecoxanthus aphyllus (Benth.) Hopper & A.P.Br.

Synonyms (previous names)

Caladenia aphylla

Common Name

Leafless Orchid

Originally Described by

George Bentham in *Flora Australiensis* 6: 387 (1873) as *Caladenia aphylla*

Distribution and Habitat

Baldy to Israelite Bay, the typical form growing in sandy soils in forests and woodlands between Pinjarra and Manypeaks and the eastern form growing in sandy-clay soils in low shrublands between the Stirling Range and Condingup.

Flowering Months

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Description

An early flowering, leafless (when flowering) [species](#) 200–400 mm high with a fragrant, creamy-white to pale yellow, fan-shaped flower 25–40 mm across. Non-flowering plants have a smooth prominently striped leaf. There are two forms – the typical lower southwest form with creamy-white flowers and an eastern form with pale yellow flowers.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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