Prasophyllum

Name and Authority

Prasophyllum R.Br.

Common Name

Leek Orchids

Originally Described by

Robert Brown in Prodr.Fl.Nov.Holland. 317 (1810)

Flowering Months

Jan · · Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

Description

Prasophyllum <u>species</u> have a smooth tubular leaf, a smooth flower stem and up to 100 sweetly fragrant flowers in an erect <u>spike</u>. The dull-coloured flowers are often tinged or streaked with green, brown and purple. Prasophyllum flowers are similar to those of Mignonette Orchids (Microtis) but are inverted (<u>labellum</u> above rather than below the <u>column</u>) and are generally larger and more colourful. The leaf of Prasophyllum <u>species</u> is also green or purple with a reddish base rather than wholly green or yellowish-green.

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Prasophyllum elatum complex (Tall Leek Orchids)



Prasophyllum distribution



Prasophyllum cucullatum complex (Stout Leek Orchids)



Prasophyllum ovale complex (Slender Leek Orchids)



Prasophyllum parvifolium complex
(Hunched Leek Orchids)



