

# Prasophyllum macrostachyum

## Name and Authority

*Prasophyllum macrostachyum* R.Br.

## Synonyms (previous names)

*Prasophyllum macrostachyum* var. *macrostachyum*; *Paraprasophyllum macrostachyum*

## Common Name

Laughing Leek Orchid

## Complex Name

*Prasophyllum gracile* (Small Leek Orchids)

## Originally Described by

Robert Brown in Prodr. 318 (1810)

## Distribution and Habitat

Dongara to Israelite Bay, growing in sandy-clay and clay soils in seasonally wet flats and drainage lines. The [species](#) does not require a summer fire to flower.

## Flowering Months

Jan . . . . . Sep Oct Nov Dec

## Description

A swamp loving [species](#) 150–300 mm (rarely to 450 mm) high with a smooth tubular leaf 100–150 mm long by 2–3 mm wide and up to 25 yellowish-green and purple flowers 4–5 mm across.

## Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the closely related Pauline's Laughing Leek Orchid (*Prasophyllum paulinae*) by its longer [lateral sepals](#), narrower [labellum](#) and, where they grow together, usually later flowering period

## WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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