## Prasophyllum parvifolium

Name and Authority

Prasophyllum parvifolium Lindl.

Synonyms (previous names)

Mecopodum parvifolium; Corunastylis parvifolia

Common Name

Autumn Leek Orchid

Complex Name

Prasophyllum parvifolium (Hunched Leek Orchids)

Originally Described by

John Lindley in Sketch Veg.Swan R. 54 (1840)

Distribution and Habitat

Eneabba to Israelite Bay, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and lateritic soils in forests, woodlands and shrublands. The species does not require a summer fire to flower.



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Description

A common, winter flowering species 150-400 mm high with a smooth tubular leaf 100-350 mm long by 1.5–3 mm wide and up to 18 green and white, red-striped flowers 6–8 mm across.

## Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Scented Autumn Leek Orchid (Prasophyllum sp. 'early') by its more colourful, sweetly-scented flowers and later flowering period. When flowers have finished they develop a pinkish appearance resembling those of Rare Leek Orchid (Prasophyllum sp. 'Brookton Highway') which has a much later flowering period and occurs in different habitat.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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