

Pterostylis actites

Name and Authority

Pterostylis actites (D.L.Jones & C.J.French) D.L.Jones & C.J.French



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Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. Coastal clubbed sepals; Diplodium actites

Common Name

Coastal Short Eared Snail Orchid



Pterostylis actites distribution

Complex Name

Pterostylis nana (Snail Orchids)



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Originally Described by

David Jones & Christopher French in Australian Orchid Review 84(3): 33-35 (2019) as *Diplodium actites*

Distribution and Habitat

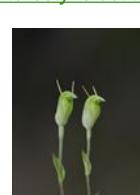
Bunbury to Bremer Bay, growing in sandy soil in coastal woodlands and shrublands.



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Flowering Months

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Description

A short statured species 30–100 mm high with four to seven leaves forming a ground-hugging or ascending basal rosette 15–30 mm across, three to four cauline leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, green and white flowers 4–6 mm across.



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Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the similar Short-eared Snail Orchid (*Pterostylis brevisepala*) and Thick-sepaled Snail Orchid (*P. ectyppha*) by its shorter, usually reflexed lateral sepals.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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