

Pterostylis angusta

Name and Authority

Pterostylis angusta A.S. George

Synonyms (previous names)

Diplodium angustum

Common Name

Narrow Hooded Shell Orchid

Complex Name

Pterostylis aspera (Shell Orchids)

Originally Described by

Alexander George in *Nuytsia* 1:164, Fig. 4 (1971)

Distribution and Habitat

Stirling Range to Brookton with disjunct populations between Capel and Eaton, growing in sandy and sandy-clay soils in forests and woodlands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A distinctive **species** 80–200 mm (rarely to 300 mm) high with three to seven **cauline** leaves 20–30 mm long by 3–5 mm wide and one (rarely two) translucent, dull green (more rarely brown) and white flowers 7–9 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from other members of the *Pterostylis aspera* **complex** by its narrowly hooded flowers and longer, prominently curled **labellum**.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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Pterostylis angusta distribution



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