

Pterostylis argillacea

Name and Authority

Pterostylis argillacea G.Brockman & C.J.French

Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'Murchison'

Common Name

Kalbarri Rufous Greenhood, Murchison Rufous Greenhood



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Complex Name

Pterostylis rufa (Rufus Greenhoods)



Pterostylis argillacea distribution

Originally Described by

Garry Brockman & Christopher French in Nuytsia 35: 25-27 (2024)

Distribution and Habitat

Kalbarri to Nerren Nerren Station, growing in clay-loam soils in mallee woodlands.



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Description

A common northern [species](#) 120–180 mm high with seven to ten leaves forming a ground-hugging [basal rosette](#) 20–40 mm across and up to seven translucent, green and white or brown and white flowers 8–11 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Spoon-lipped Rufous Greenhood (*Pterostylis spathulata*) by its smaller flowers, straight rather than upcurved [lateral sepals](#) and more northerly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Two

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