

# Pterostylis brunneola

## Name and Authority

**Pterostylis brunneola** D.L.Jones & C.J.French

## Synonyms (previous names)

*Pterostylis* sp. 'giant'; *Diplodium brunneolum*

## Common Name

Giant Snail Orchid

## Complex Name

*Pterostylis* nana (Snail Orchids)

## Originally Described by

David Jones & Christopher French in *Austral.Orchid Rev.* 79(2):19-21 (2014)

## Distribution and Habitat

York to Esperance, growing in sandy soils in woodlands and shrublands.

## Flowering Months

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## Description

A large flowered **species** 90–170 mm high with four to six leaves forming a ground-hugging or ascending **basal rosette** 20–55 mm across, two to three **cauline** leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, fawn and white flowers 7–12 mm across.

## Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the sometimes co-occurring Hairy Stemmed Snail Orchid (*Pterostylis setulosa*) by its larger fawn and white flowers and thickened **lateral sepals**.

## WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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