

Pterostylis faceta

Name and Authority

Pterostylis faceta (D.L.Jones, C.J.French & M.A.Clem.) D.L.Jones & C.J.French

Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'plumed'; Plumatichilos facetus

Common Name

Plumed Bird Orchid

Complex Name

Pterostylis barbata/turfosa (Bird Orchids)

Originally Described by

David Jones, Christopher French & Mark Clements in Australian Orchid Review 82(4): 33-37, Fig. 1 (2017) as Plumatichilos facetus



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[Pterostylis faceta distribution](#)

Distribution and Habitat

Munglinup to Israelite Bay, growing in sandy-clay soil in woodlands and shrublands. In one area the [species](#) was found on a small granite outcrop nestled in a salt lake.

Flowering Months

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Description

A rare [species](#) 80–160 mm high with a loose, ascending [rosette](#) of leaves 10–30 mm across, two to six [cauline](#) leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, brown-marked, green and white flowers 8–10 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the similar Dwarf bird Orchid (*Pterostylis galgulus*), which also has small flowers with a short [dorsal sepal](#), by its densely hairy [labellum](#) and easterly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Three

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