

Pterostylis leptochila

Name and Authority

Pterostylis leptochila M.A.Clem. & D.L.Jones

Synonyms (previous names)

Oligochaetochilus leptochilus

Common Name

Ravensthorpe Rufous Greenhood

Complex Name

Pterostylis rufa (Rufous Greenhoods)

Originally Described by

Mark Clements & David Jones in Austral.Orchid Res. 1:123 (1989)

Distribution and Habitat

Ongerup to Munglinup, growing in sandy-clay and clay soils in woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A geographically restricted **species** 100–250 mm high with seven to 12 leaves forming a ground-hugging **basal rosette** 40–55 mm across and up to five translucent, olive-green and white or brown and white flowers 9–11 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from Painted Rufous Greenhood (*Pterostylis picta*) by its larger, broader **lateral sepals** which have a more cupped appearance and smaller, less fleshy **labellum**.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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Pterostylis leptochila distribution



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