

Pterostylis picta

Name and Authority

Pterostylis picta M.A.Clem.

Synonyms (previous names)

Oligochaetochilus pictus

Common Name

Painted Rufous Greenhood

Complex Name

Pterostylis rufa (Rufus Greenhoods)

Originally Described by

Mark Clements in Austral.Orchid Res. 1:125 (1989)

Distribution and Habitat

Moora to Ravensthorpe, growing in sandy-clay and clay soils in woodlands and shrublands.

Flowering Months

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Description

A widespread [species](#) 200–350 mm high with six to 10 leaves forming a ground-hugging [basal rosette](#) 40–55 mm across and up to seven translucent, green and white to greenish-brown and white flowers 9–11 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from Ravensthorpe Rufous Greenhood (*Pterostylis leptochila*) by its smaller, narrower [lateral sepals](#) which have a less cupped appearance and larger, fleshy [labellum](#).

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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