

Pterostylis platypetala

Name and Authority

Pterostylis platypetala D.L.Jones & C.J.French



Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'broad petals'; *Diplodium platypetalum*

Common Name

Broad-petaled Snail Orchid

Pterostylis platypetala

Complex Name

Pterostylis nana (Snail Orchids)



Pterostylis platypetala distribution

Originally Described by

David Jones & Christopher French in Austral.Orchid Rev. 80(2):37-40 (2015)



Distribution and Habitat

North of Port Gregory to Brookton, growing in sand, sandy-clay and clay soils in woodlands and shrublands, often on the edges of seasonally wet flats and streams.

Flowering Months

..... Jun Jul Aug

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Description

A distinctive species 45–100 mm high with two to five leaves forming a ground-hugging or ascending basal rosette 8–20 mm across, two to four cauline leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, green and white flowers 3–4 mm across.



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Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the sometimes co-occurring Hairy-stemmed Snail Orchid (*Pterostylis setulosa*) by its distinctly broader petals.



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WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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