

# Pterostylis precatoria

## Name and Authority

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

## Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'Mehinup'; Plumatichilos precatorius

## Common Name

Mehinup Bird Orchid

## Complex Name

Pterostylis barbata/barbata (Bird Orchids)

## Originally Described by

(David Jones, Christopher French & Mark Clements in Australian Orchid Review 82(5): 31-33, Fig. 2 (2017) as Plumatichilos precatorius

## Distribution and Habitat

Denmark to Walpole, growing in shallow soil pockets on granite outcrops.

## Flowering Months

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## Description

An uncommon **species** 200–300 mm high with a loose, ascending **rosette** of leaves 16–40 mm across, two to six **cauline** leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, brown-marked, green and white flowers 10–12 mm across.

## Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Bird Orchid (*Pterostylis barbata*) by its larger flowers, longer **dorsal sepal**, longer **lateral sepals** which spread out laterally and longer hairs on the **labellum**.

## WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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