

Pterostylis setulosa

Name and Authority

Pterostylis setulosa (D.L.Jones & C.J.French) D.L.Jones & C.J.French

Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'Inland'; Diplodium setulosum

Common Name

Hairy Stemmed Snail Orchid

Complex Name

Pterostylis nana (Snail Orchids)

Originally Described by

David Jones & Christopher French in Australian Orchid Review 84(1): 30-32, Fig. 5 (2019) as Diplodium setulosum

Distribution and Habitat

Nerren Nerren Station to Israelite Bay with a disjunct population on Mount Augustus, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and granitic soils in woodlands and shrublands. The [species](#) is especially common in shallow soil pockets on inland granite outcrops. Also occurs in South Australia and the western part of New South Wales.

Flowering Months

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Description

A common inland [species](#) 50–250 mm high with five to seven leaves forming a ground-hugging [basal rosette](#) 24–44 mm across, one to four [cauline](#) leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, green and white flowers 5–8 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Hairy-leaved Snail Orchid (*Pterostylis echinulata*) by its taller stature, more numerous [cauline](#) leaves and smooth margined [rosette](#) leaves. These features are, however, variable within and between populations and the two [taxa](#) may represent forms of the same [species](#).

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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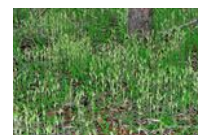
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