

Pterostylis sp. 'sparse'

Name and Authority

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Common Name

Sparse Bird Orchid

Complex Name

Pterostylis barbata/barbata (Bird Orchids)

Originally Described by

Undescribed

Distribution and Habitat

Dardanup to Walpole, growing in sandy, sandy-clay and lateritic soils in forests and woodlands and more rarely in shallow soil pockets on granite outcrops.

Flowering Months

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Description

A common species 150–300 mm high with a loose, ascending rosette of leaves 15–35 mm across, two to six cauline leaves and one (rarely two) translucent, brown-marked, green and white flowers 8–12 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Bird Orchid (*Pterostylis barbata*) by its longer dorsal sepal and more sparsely hairy labellum.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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Pterostylis sp. 'sparse' distribution



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