

Pterostylis tryphera

Name and Authority

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

Synonyms (previous names)

Pterostylis sp. 'dainty brown'; Oligochaetochilus trypherus

Common Name

Dainty Brown Rufous Greenhood

Complex Name

Pterostylis rufa (Rufous Greenhoods)

Originally Described by

David Jones & Christopher French in Australian Orchid Review 81(5): 33-35, Fig. 3 (2016) as Oligochaetochilus trypherus

Distribution and Habitat

Wubin to Balladonia, growing in sandy-clay and granitic soils in woodlands and shrublands and in shallow soil pockets on inland granite outcrops and rocky hills.

Flowering Months

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Description

A small-flowered species 70–350 mm high with five to nine leaves forming a ground-hugging basal rosette 20–40 mm across and up to 10 translucent, pale brown and white flowers 5–7 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Rock Loving Rufous Greenhood (*Pterostylis xerampelina*) by its thinner scape, smaller flowers and hanging rather than forwardly curved sepals.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed



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Pterostylis tryphera distribution



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