

Spiranthes sinensis

Name and Authority

Spiranthes sinensis (Pers.) Ames

Synonyms (previous names)

Neottia sinensis

Common Name

Austral Ladies Tresses

Originally Described by

Christiaan Hendrik Persoon in *Synopsis plantarum, seu enchiridium botanicum, complectens enumerationem systematicam specierum* 2(2): 511 (1807) as *Neottia sinensis*

Distribution and Habitat

Single known location in the north Kimberley, growing in black peaty soil in a permanently wet mound spring. Also found in Queensland, New Guinea, New Caledonia, China, Laos, Vietnam, Japan, Malaysia and Indonesia.

Flowering Months

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Description

A rare [species](#) in Western Australia (common elsewhere) 100–400 mm high with two to four narrow, smooth leaves 40–125 mm long by 5–7 mm wide in a loose [basal rosette](#) and up to 40 spirally arranged pink and white flowers 1.5–2.8 mm across.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority One



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[Spiranthes sinensis distribution](#)

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