Thelymitra yorkensis

Name and Authority

Thelymitra yorkensis Jeanes

Synonyms (previous names)

Thelymitra sp. Wandoo

Common Name

York Sun Orchid

Complex Name

Thelymitra fuscolutea (Sienna Sun Orchids)

Originally Described by

Jeffrey Jeanes in Muelleria 24:18-19, Fig. 7 (2006)

Distribution and Habitat

South west of York, growing in gravely or loamy soil in open woodland habitat.

Flowering Months

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Description

An attractive species 100-350 mm high with a broad, smooth leaf 60-150 mm long by 20-30 mm wide which is often shrivelled at the time of flowering and up to 10 orange and yellow, cinnamonscented flowers 30-50 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is distinguished from the related Cinnamon Sun Orchid (Thelymitra dedmaniarum) by its usually smaller leaf, shorter stature (usually under 350 mm), less numerous flowers (up to 10) which are usually not as darkly coloured at their center and more south-easterly distribution.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Priority Three

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