

# Threatened Flora of South Australia

VULNERABLE

## Woolcock's Spider-orchid *Caladenia woolcockiorum*

### Have you seen this plant?

#### Description

- single leaf, dull green, 6-15 cm long and about 1 cm wide, blotched at the base with purple
- flower stem 20-35 cm tall
- usually one flower, cream to greenish yellow with prominent, deep red, thickened tips on both the sepals and petals
- the labellum (lip) is dark red
- front sepals and petals drooping with a slight musk fragrance

#### Location

This species has a limited distribution, it is only known from Mount Remarkable National Park.



Photo P Canty

It grows on loamy soils in Sugar Gum, Blue Gum and Long-leafed Box woodland and is usually found in or near open areas.

**Please take a photo, don't pick the flower**

#### Contact

Biodiversity Conservation Program  
Department for Environment and Heritage  
(61 8) 8222 9423

Threatened Plant Action Group (Threatened Species Network) 120 Wakefield Street Adelaide SA 5000



Photo K & B Bayley

#### Conservation rating:

It is listed as vulnerable under national legislation. There are 12 locations with an estimated 1,500- 2,000 flowering plants.

#### Threats



Small population size



Competition from weeds



Grazing by rabbits



Grazing by kangaroos



Disturbance

#### How you can help

Helping to save threatened species is something that everyone can become involved in.

- Report any sightings of Woolcock's Spider-orchid to the contacts listed opposite.
- Protect any native plants and habitat on your property from grazing, clearance and weeds.

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