

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

*Corybas fordhamii* swamp pelican-orchid

**Group:** Magnoliophyta (flowering plants), Liliopsida (monocots), Orchidales, Orchidaceae

**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995:* **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999:* Not listed

**Endemic:** Found in Tasmania and elsewhere

**Status:**



A complete species management profile is not currently available for this species. Check for further information on this page and any relevant Activity Advice.

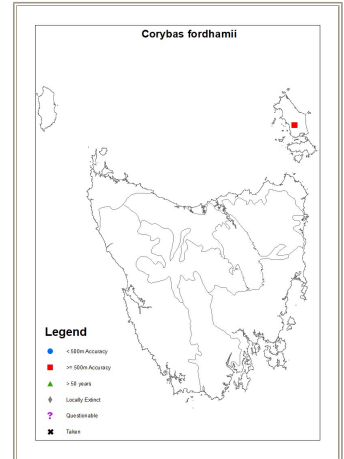
### Key Points

- Important:** Is this species in your area? Do you need a permit? Ensure you've covered all the issues by checking the Planning Ahead page.
- Important:** Different threatened species may have different requirements. For any activity you are considering, read the Activity Advice pages for background information and important advice about managing around the needs of multiple threatened species.

### Surveying

Key	Survey reliability more info
<b>M</b>	Best time to survey
M	Potential time to survey
M	Poor time to survey
M	Non-survey period

To ensure you follow the law - check whether your survey requires a permit. Always report any new records to the Natural Values Atlas, or send the information direct to the Threatened Species Section. Refer to the Activity Advice: Surveying page for background information.



<i>Corybas fordhamii</i>	Spring						Summer					Autumn				Winter								
swamp pelican-orchid	S	S	O	O	N	N	D	D	J	J	F	F	M	M	A	A	M	M	J	J	J	J	A	A

- Flowers are required to confirm the identity of this ground orchid which dies back to subterranean tubers after flowering. This orchid flowers from July to October on the mainland but in Tasmania it is only known from collections from Flinders Island in September, which is probably the best time to look for it here. The small plants are most easily detected in the 2 to 3 seasons following fire when the vegetation is more easily penetrable and due to the increased flowering response.
- On Flinders Island *Corybas fordhamii* grows in association with *Melaleuca squarrosa*. It is found in naturally clear areas at the edges of runnels and where vegetation is kept short by browsing. After fire the species appear to be restricted to areas that would have been wet when the fire went through.

### Further information

Check also for listing statement or notesheet pdf above (below the species image).

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**Permit:** A permit is required under the Tasmanian *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* to 'take' (which includes kill, injure, catch, damage, destroy and collect), keep, trade in or process any specimen or products of a listed species. Additional permits may also be required under other Acts or regulations to take, disturb or interfere with any form of wildlife or its products, (e.g. dens, nests, bones). This may also depend on the tenure of the land and other agreements relating to its management.