

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

*Prasophyllum tunbridgense* tunbridge leek-orchid

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

**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995:* **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999:* **Endangered**

**Endemic:** Found only in Tasmania

**Status:**



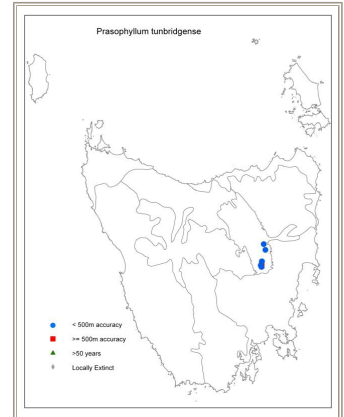
### Key Points

- 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>Prasophyllum tunbridgense</i>	Spring			Summer				Autumn				Winter												
tunbridge leek-orchid	S	S	O	O	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	D	D	J	J	F	F	M	M	A	A	M	M	J	J	J	J	A	A

- Flowers are required for the identification and to aid detection of this ground orchid which dies back to subterranean tubers after flowering. Most observations of *Prasophyllum tunbridgense* have been made in late October and November. The species may not flower or emerge in dry years.
- Prasophyllum tunbridgense* is restricted to the Tunbridge/Campbell Town area, where it occurs in native grassland on well-drained loams derived from basalt. Associated species include *Themeda triandra* (kangaroo grass), *Austrodanthonia* spp. (wallabygrasses), *Austrostipa* spp. (speargrasses), and a range of herbs, lilies, mosses and lichens.

### Further information

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

### Recovery Plan

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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.