

Brunonia australis **Blue Pincushion**







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Form: Groundcover

Height: 0.1 - 0.3 m

Spread: $0.1 - 0.3 \, m$ **Flowers:** *Blue*

Type: Ball **Flowering time:** *Spring, Summer*

Ecological functions:





Soils: sand, clay or loam; acidic, alkaline or neutral **Germination rate:** 3 to 5 weeks

Seed collecting: cut off maturing fruits. Fully dry in sunny position. Seeds can be easily extracted. Store in a container until needed.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: sprinkle seeds over bush sand or propagating mix. Lightly cover with fine gravel. Sow from early Winter.

Position: full sun, part shade

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: as an accent plant in mixed beds or as a

ground cover. Ornamental, plant in drifts for a showy display. Nectar acts as a food source for native butterflies.

Notes: this species has a short life span of 3 years.