



Calocephalus citreus

Lemon Beauty-heads



(Lindorff, C, NatureShare)



(Fagg, M, Australian Plant Image Index)



Adult Australian
Painted Lady

Form: *Ground cover* **Height:** *0.2 – 0.5 m* **Spread:** *0.3 – 1 m* **Flowers:** *Yellow* **Type:** *Insignificant* **Flowering time:** *Spring, Summer*

Ecological functions: 

Soils: *sand, clay or loam; alkaline or neutral*

Germination rate: *3 to 7 weeks*

Seed collecting: collect heads that are matured, pale yellow, a bit spongy and contain brown seeds.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: sow on top of damp soil and cover with a layer of gravel. Sow in Autumn. Requires good drainage.

Position: full sun, part shade.

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: a dwarf perennial herb for mixed native landscapes, rockeries and borders. Food host to Australian Painted Lady (*Vanessa kershawi*).

Notes: dies back in winter. Grows from cuttings.