

Chrysocephalum apiculatum Common Everlasting







Adult Australian Painted Lady

(Wood, D, Plants of Scotia Sanctuary)

(Richter, R, iNaturalist Australia)

(Hunt, L, SA Butterflies & Moths)

Form: Ground cover Height: 0.1 – 0.2 m Spread: 0.3 – 0.4 m Flowers: Yellow Type: Daisy Flowering time: Spring, Autumn

Ecological functions: §





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

Seed collecting: collect whole heads that are brown and fluffy or collect just the seeds by plucking it off with your fingers. Mature seeds can be easily removed.

Seed treatment: none. Seeds are non-dormant, viable seed should germinate readily.

Sowing requirements: press seed onto damp soil and cover with a layer of gravel. Sow in Autumn. Requires well-drained soils.

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: perennial herb for mixed native landscapes, parks and reserves. Suitable for mass planting or informal drifts, spreads by suckering. Food host to Australian Painted Lady (*Vanessa kershawi*).

Germination rate: 2 to 4 weeks

Notes: mixed form cultivars available.