

Craspedia globulus **Drumsticks**







Adult Meadow Argus

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Form: *Medium shrub* **Height:** 0.2 – 1.3 m **Spread:** $0.2 - 0.9 \, m$ **Flowers:** Yellow **Type:** Globular **Flowering time:** *Spring, Summer*

Ecological functions:





Soils: sand, clay or loam; alkaline

Seed collecting: collect mature seeds that have turned brown. Wear gloves. Leave seeds in sun to further dry. Capsules will then split to release seeds.

Seed treatment: place on a tray and dry heat in oven at 60 degrees for 30 minutes.

Sowing requirements: cover with 2 mm of damp soil and firm gently. Then cover with a layer of gravel. Sow in late Spring-Summer.

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: native twining ground cover which could be incorporated into native landscapes, parks and reserves. Used as a bush food by Indigneous peoples. Food host to Meadow Argus (Junonia villida calybe).

Germination rate: 2 to 4 weeks

Notes: grows from cuttings.