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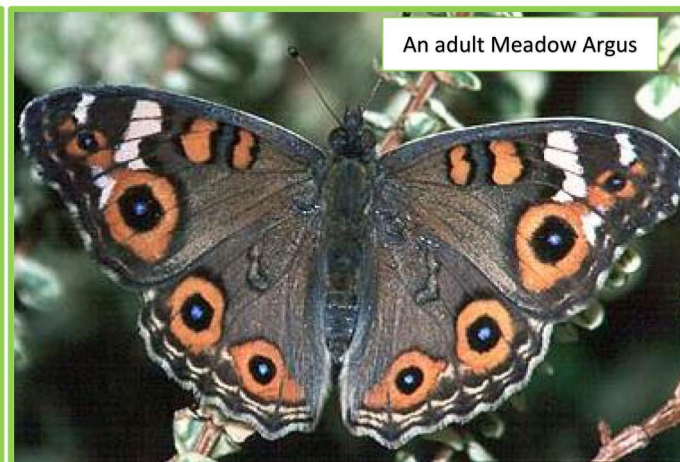
Sticky Goodenia



(Seeds of South Australia)



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An adult Meadow Argus

(Hunt, L, SA Butterflies & Moths)

Form: Medium shrub **Height:** 1.5 – 3 m **Spread:** 1 – 2.5 m **Flowers:** Red **Type:** Clusters **Flowering time:** Spring, Winter

Ecological functions:



Soils: sand or loam; acidic or neutral

Germination rate: 4 to 8 weeks

Seed collecting: observe the base of dried flowers. If they look mature and swollen at the base, nip off and fully dry in warm position. Brown seed will be released when dry.

Seed treatment: none

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

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: ornamental, planted as a colourful foreground amongst mixed natives. Suited to acidic and calcareous soils. Food source to Meadow Argus (*Junonia villida calybe*) caterpillars and other native insects.

Notes: responds to pruning.