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Notched Sedge



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Adult
Bright-eyed
Brown

(Grund, R, SA Butterflies & Moths)

Form: Sedge or Flax **Height:** 0.5 – 1 m **Spread:** 0.5 – 1 m **Flowers:** Brown **Type:** Panicles **Flowering time:** Spring, Summer

Ecological functions:



Soils: loam; acidic

Germination rate: 4 to 12 weeks

Seed collecting: collect fruits by running hands along the heads. Mature seeds will come off easily. Or cut whole heads that are brown, containing dark hard seeds.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: press seed onto damp soil and cover with a layer of gravel. Sow in Summer. Sow in full sun, not under shade cloth. Grows in clumps, do not thin out.

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: none

Uses: an ornamental tussock grass for damp localities, wetlands, ponds, dams and watercourses. Can tolerate seasonal or temporary inundation. Habitat for small birds. Food host to Bright-eyed Brown (*Heteronympha cordace wilsoni*) adults and caterpillars.

Notes: appropriate in biofiltration systems and rain gardens.