

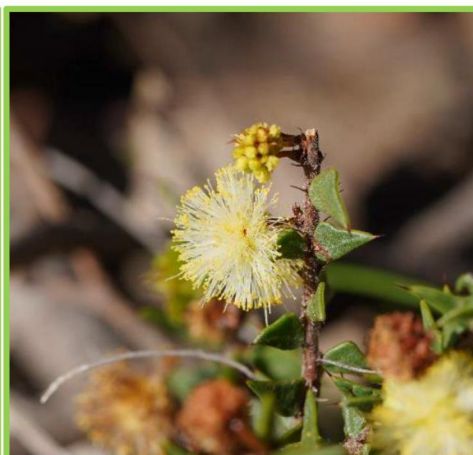


Acacia gunnii

Ploughshare Wattle



(Tapson, N, Encyclopedia of Life Images)



(Reiner, R, iNaturalist Australia)



(Preston, T, Canberra Nature Map)

Form: Low shrub **Height:** 0.3 – 0.5 m **Spread:** 1 – 2 m **Flowers:** Yellow **Type:** Globular **Flowering time:** Spring, Winter

Ecological functions: 

Soils: sand, clay or loam; acidic or neutral

Germination rate: 4 to 6 weeks

Seed collecting: collect mature pods that are turning brown, with hard, dark seeds inside.

Seed treatment: place seed into a container and pour on water that has just been boiled. Soak overnight. Remove and sow immediately.

Sowing requirements: cover seed to its own depth with damp soil and firm gently. Then cover with a layer of gravel. Requires well-drained soils. Sow in late Spring-Summer.

Position: full sun, part shade.

Supplementary watering: moderate

Uses: commonly planted as a ground cover and soil control in low traffic areas on roundabouts, median strips or verges due to its prickly foliage.

Notes: recommended to plant more than 2 m away from any sewer main or connection.