

Leucophyta brownii **Cushion Bush**







(Fagg, M, Australian Plant Image Index)



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Form: Low shrub **Height:** 0.4 – 1 m **Spread:** 0.5 - 1.5 m **Flowers:** Yellow

Type: Globular Flowering time: Spring, Summer

Ecological functions:

Seed collecting: run fingers through maturing fruiting heads and place in container. If fruiting heads fall apart on collection, this indicates maturity.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements prinkle seeds over propagating mix or cosear sands, cover to own depth to allow seeds to become anchored. Keep moist and place in warm open position. Use fresh seeds. Sow in late Spring to Summer. Requires well-drained soils.

Soils: sand or loam; alkaline or neutral

Position: full sun, part shade.

Supplementary watering: none

Uses: ornamental silver foliage plant. Extremely hardy in coastal locations. Terrific for defining edges of paths, borders, verges, roundabouts and nature strips. Foliage reflects car head lights at night.

Germination rate: 2 to 4 weeks

Notes: can grow as dwarf cultivars.

Sources: Botanical Gardens of South Australia; Seeds of South Australia; Trees For Life Tree Scheme: Grower's Handbook'; "What Seed is that?"