



Atriplex holocarpa

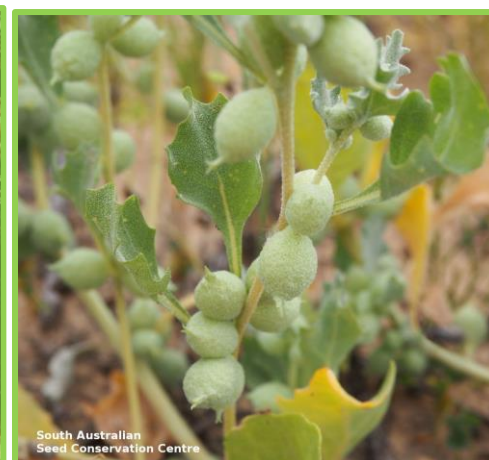
Pop saltbush



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(Atriplex holocarpa, Seeds of South Australia)



Female
(top) and
male
(bottom)
Salt-bush
Blue
butterflies

(SA Butterflies & Moths)

Form: *Ground cover* **Height:** *0.1 – 0.3 m* **Spread:** *up to 0.3 m* **Flowers:** *Cream* **Type:** *Clusters* **Flowering time:** *Spring, Winter*

Ecological functions:  

Soils: *sand or loam; alkaline or neutral*

Germination rate: *2 to 4 weeks*

Seed collecting: collect fruits that have started to dry and turn pale. Check for viable seed inside the fruit before collecting.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: cover with 2 mm of damp soil and firm gently. Then cover with a layer of gravel.

Position: full sun, part shade

Supplementary watering: none

Uses: for exposed coastal locations. Also acts as soil and sand control on roadsides, verges, fire breaks, parks and reserves. Food host to Salt-bush Blue (*Theclines the sserpentata*) larvae and other native butterfly caterpillars.

Notes: written approval required prior to planting in streets or roads. Do not plant less than 2 m to any sewer main or connection.