



# Chrysocephalum semipapposum

## Yellow Buttons



(Seeds of South Australia)



(Richter, R, iNaturalist Australia)



Adult  
Australian  
Painted  
Lady

(Hunt, L, SA Butterflies & Moths)

**Form:** *Ground cover*   **Height:** *0.2 – 1 m*   **Spread:** *0.5 – 1.5 m*   **Flowers:** *Yellow*   **Type:** *Clusters*   **Flowering time:** *Spring, Summer*

**Ecological functions:**  

**Soils:** *sand, clay or loam; acidic, alkaline or neutral*

**Germination rate:** *2 to 4 weeks*

**Seed collecting:** collect whole heads that are brown and fluffy or collect just the seeds by plucking it off with your fingers. Mature seeds can be easily removed.

**Seed treatment:** none. Seeds are non-dormant, viable seed should germinate readily.

**Sowing requirements:** press seed onto damp soil and cover with a layer of gravel. Sow in Autumn. Requires well-drained soils.

**Position:** full sun

**Supplementary watering:** minimal

**Uses:** perennial herb for mixed native landscapes, parks and reserves. Suitable for mass planting or informal drifts, spreads by suckering. Food host to Australian Painted Lady (*Vanessa kershawi*).

**Notes:** mixed form cultivars available.