



Poa poiformis

Coastal Tussock-grass



(Seeds of South Australia)



(Brown, AJ, Victorian Resources Online)



Adult
Shouldered
Brown

(Grund, R, SA Butterflies & Moths)

Form: *Sedge or Flax* **Height:** 0.6 – 1.2 m **Spread:** 0.5 – 1.5 m **Flowers:** Green **Type:** Grass panicle **Flowering time:** Spring, Summer

Ecological functions:



Soils: sand or loam; acidic, alkaline or neutral

Germination rate: 2 to 4 weeks

Seed collecting: place the drying seed inflorescence into a container and shake. Seeds and flower parts will fall out. Keep dry, use all these contents as your seed mix.

Seed treatment: none

Sowing requirements: sprinkle seeds over seed tray or broadcast over larger area, rake over and check that soil is lightly tilled. Press seeds in and keep moist. This species can also be propagated by division. Sow from Autumn.

Position: full sun, part shade.

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: a fast growing, tussock forming perennial grass. Excellent for soil stabilisation and erosion control along batters and embankments. Suitable along coastal verges and parks. Food host to Common Brown (*Heteronympha merope merope*) and Shouldered Brown (*Heteronympha penelope penelope*) caterpillars.