



Pultenaea tenuifolia

Sand Dune Bush-pea



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Male

(Hunt, L, SA Butterflies & Moths)



Female

(Grund, R, SA Butterflies & Moths)

Adult
Fringed
Heath-blue

Form: Low shrub **Height:** up to 1 m **Spread:** up to 1 m **Flowers:** Yellow **Type:** Pea **Flowering time:** Spring, Summer

Ecological functions:



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

Germination rate: 3 to 8 weeks

Seed collecting: collect maturing pods, those that are brown or turning brown and contain hard seeds inside.

Seed treatment: place seeds into a sieve and dip into hot but NOT BOILING water for 30 seconds. Immediately immerse in cold water and soak for 6 hours. Remove and sow immediately.

Sowing requirements: sow seeds into standard propagating mix, cover seeds lightly and keep moist. Place in warm, sunny position. Sow in Spring to Summer. Requires well-drained soils.

Position: full sun

Supplementary watering: minimal

Uses: as a specimen or feature plant in mixed native landscapes, rockeries, borders, parks and reserves. Attracts native butterflies, caterpillar food plant. Food source to Fringed Heath-blue (*Neolucia agricola agricola*) caterpillars.

Notes: prune if required.