



# *Scaevola crassifolia*

## Coastal Fanflower



(Seeds of South Australia)



(Fagg, M, Australian Plant Image Index)



Adult  
Meadow  
Argus

(Grund, R, SA Butterflies & Moths)

**Form:** *Groundcover*   **Height:** *0.2 – 1.5 m*   **Spread:** *2.5 – 3 m*   **Flowers:** *Blue*   **Type:** *Fan-shaped*   **Flowering time:** *Spring, Summer*

**Ecological functions:**



**Soils:** *sand or loam; acidic or neutral*

**Germination rate:** *4 to 12 weeks*

**Seed collecting:** cut off flowering stems that are drying. Lay out to fully dry. Place contents over fine screen and rub hands over foliage to dislodge seed. Seeds are fine and small but detectable.

**Seed treatment:** none

**Sowing requirements:** sprinkle over sandy soils, cover lightly and keep moist. Sow seeds in early Winter. Requires good drainage.

**Position:** full sun, part shade.

**Supplementary watering:** minimal

**Uses:** ornamental, hardy foliage plant. For contrast or an informal hedge, as raised beds in coastal locations. Attracts native butterflies and insects, caterpillar food plant. Food source to Meadow Argus (*Junonia villida calybe*) caterpillars.

**Notes:** tolerates coastal exposure.