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## Our 2022 Catalogue is now on line

If you browse our updated website at [wadaisies.com](http://wadaisies.com) you will find a few new seeds in the 2022 catalogue. Among them are the first native *Lobelia* we have been able to grow. It's a great plant and bears masses of electric blue flowers for many weeks. Something we did not realise until we were able to monitor it 24 hours a day is that the flowers rollup at night and then unfurl in the morning.



We find it easy to grow but a warning - the seeds are incredibly small and have to be handled with great care. We wear masks when cleaning it because even the slightest breath will send the seeds flying!

Another new one has really impressed us in the trials. The Yellow Everlasting, *Rhodanthe chlorocephala* subsp. *chlorocephala*, is considered to be at risk in the wild but proved to be very vigorous and florific when we grew it under cultivation.



We recorded well over 100 blooms on a single plant and they dry well too.

The Yellow Shield flower, *Dithyrostegia amplexicaulis*, has surprised us. Interesting but not particularly showy in the wild, it blew our socks off when we grew it, with its massed

clusters of yellow flowers surrounded by bright green fleshy leaves on brown wiry stems.



## The names they-are-a-changing.

As our knowledge increases and techniques improve it often becomes apparent that some plants that were once thought to be closely related are actually not and need to be reclassified. A review of the Genus *Podolepis* by Jeffrey A Jeanes in 2021 has resulted in some name changes. In our range what was once *Podolepis lessonii* is now *Panaetia lessonii* and what was once *Podolepis kendallii* is now *Walshia kendallii*.

Other changes to the genus include  
*P. muelleri* to *Panaetia muelleri*  
*P. davisiana* to *Panaetia davisiana*  
*P. tepperi* to *Panaetia tepperi*  
*P. capillaris* to *Siemssenia capillaris*  
*P. microcephala* to *Siemssenia microcephala*

## We are on the move

When we bought our place nearly 40 years we were surrounded by small rural holdings and lived a life of peaceful enjoyment while still being fairly close to the city. Now the city has caught up with us and we are surrounded by truck yards and have been forced to move to greener pastures, not too far away fortunately. We have tried to minimise the effect of the move but would like to apologise in advance if we are not as quick getting your order to you as we would like to be. Please bear with us.

## What would you like to see in our catalogue?

We always have more plants under trial and will continue to expand our offering but we also welcome your suggestions. Just drop us a line using the contact page on our website.