

****Medicago polymorpha***
Commonly: Burr Medic
Vascular Plant Family: Fabaceae

Flowers winter and spring

**Medicago polymorpha* is an annual sprawling herb with stems spreading to 60cm long. It is native to the Mediterranean region.



The leaves are alternate, with 3 minutely toothed leaflets, 2.5cm long and 2cm wide. At the base of each leaf there is a pair of deeply toothed stipules.



The yellow, pea flowers occur in a cluster of 2-7 flowers on a stalk about 1cm long. The standard petal is up to 5mm long.



The densely spined pod is a disc like burr of 1-6 coils, up to 10mm high and 5mm wide. The spines are curved and hooked each about 4mm long.



*Indicates it is a weed