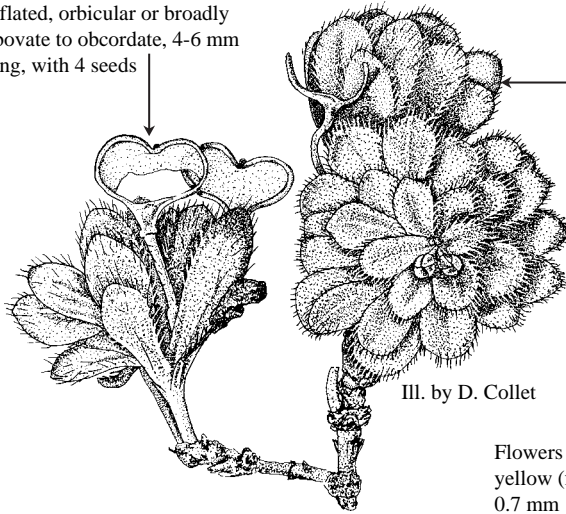


Fruit (a silique) glabrous, inflated, orbicular or broadly obovate to obcordate, 4-6 mm long, with 4 seeds



Leaves all basal, imbricate, oblong to ovate or obovate, apices obtuse, margins ciliate with long hairs, nearly glabrous above or with some simple to branched hairs on the upper surface

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Flowers pale yellow to greenish-yellow (four petaled), style 0.3-0.7 mm

Densely tufted, cushion forming perennial herb

Brassicaceae (Cruciferae)

Distribution: Endemic to the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands in Alaska, and the adjacent Commander Islands in Russia.

Habitat: Gravely alpine sites and solifluction areas in the mountains. Associated species include *Cardamine bellidifolia*, *Chrysosplenium wrightii*, *Oxygraphis glacialis*, and *Saxifraga oppositifolia*.

Similar Species: Distinguished from other yellow flowered drabas by its very densely tufted, scapose habit; broadly obovate, nearly glabrous, ciliate leaves; and glabrous, inflated, orbicular to obcordate fruits.

Notes: Flowering in July. Reports of this species from eastern Chukotka, Russia (Hultén 1968) appear to be incorrect (Berkutenko 1978).

References: Berkutenko 1978, 1983, 1987; Hultén 1936, 1960, 1968; Kharkevich 1985-1992; Rollins 1993; Vasiliev 1957; Welsh 1974.

