

*Acacia greggii*

## Catclaw Acacia, Wait-a-minute Bush

SHRUB - deciduous.

5'+ high, to 10' spread.

Leaves gray-green.

Several 1' long golden yellow  
flowers per stem - spring.

Curved spines on the stem.

Native habitat: Desert washes  
and canyons generally  
below 6000'.

Full sun.

Tolerates alkaline or sandy soil.

Drought tolerant.

Many ethno-botanical uses for the  
seed pods and other parts of the  
plant.

Phainopeplas use the seeds and trees.

Many butterflies visit the flowers.

Associated plants include *Prunus  
fremontii*, *Quercus agrifolia* and  
*Justicia californica*.



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