Arctostaphylos refugioensis Refugio Manzanita

LARGE SHRUB - evergreen 6 - 8'(to 12') high, 10' spread. Erect, very striking form: often several trunks. New spring growth flame red. Smooth, large, dark red bark. Flowers white-pink, usually in 2 to 6" wide bunches - late winter, early spring.

Native habitat: Chaparral - foothills about 2200' in the Santa Ynez Mountains around Refugio Pass.

Full sun to part shade. Sandy soil. Water 1 x/month once established.



Photograph by Carolyn Martus

Fast growing.

RARE — CNPS List: 1B.2 (Rare, threatened or endangered in California and elsewhere. Fairly endangered in California).



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