

Atriplex canescens *Fourwing Saltbush*



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SHRUB, evergreen.

To 6' high, spreading to 10' across.

Stout grey branches with small gray-green leaves.

Flowers on branch tips — not showy — June to August.

Seeds abundant on female plants in mid-summer.

Native habitat: scrub — coastal strand, dry slopes, flats and washes below 7000'

Full sun.

Frost tolerant to sub-zero temperatures.

Tolerates poor soils — alkaline, saline and adobe.

Survives with no summer water.

Good erosion control. Can be sheared as a hedge.

Fire resistant.

Valuable food and shelter for wildlife.

