Baccharis sarothroides

Broom Baccharis, Desert Broom

SHRUB - evergreen.

4 - 6' (up to 12') high, 4 - 8' wide.

Upright. Broomlike branches.

Sticky.

Small green leaves on slender stems.

Cream-tan flower heads - June to October.

Cottony seed clusters.

Native habitat: coastal sage scrub, creosote bush scrub; gravelly and sandy washes, roadsides below 1200' - San Diego and Riverside counties, Sonoran Desert.

Full sun.

No particular soil or drainage needs.

Tolerates alkaline soil.

Looks better with occasional deep irrigation and some pruning.

Used for revegetation.

Valuable for erosion control, especially inland.

Free of insect pests and disease.

