Cercocarpus alnifolius Cerocarpus betuloides var. blancheae Island Mountain Mahogany

SMALL TREE/SHRUB - evergreen.

12' high, 4' spread. Multi-trunk - leaves to base; narrow habit. Leaves dark green, elliptical, serrated.

Flowers inconspicuous - spring. Showy seed heads - featherlike curled plumes, 1 - 2" long.

Native habitat: chaparral below 2000' - Channel Islands (other than San Clemente).

Full sun to part shade. Frost resistant - may become deciduous, but recover.

Water 1 x /month once established.

Because of narrow habit is great as a screen. Also good as large border shrub. Good for revegetation and erosion control.

Fix nitrogen.

Liked by deer.

