

Funastrum cynanchoides (*Sarcostemma c.*)
Climbing Milkweed



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HERBACEOUS PERENNIAL VINE

Very narrow leaves.

Trailing or twining. Milky sap.

Familiar milkweed pods.

Flowers pinkish purple—April to June.

Native habitat: dry rocky arroyos, desert washes, ditches near cultivated fields, below 2000 feet. Coastal sage scrub, creosote chaparral, deserts.

Full sun.

Good drainage.

Butterfly host plant.

