

Senna armata

Spiny Senna

PERENNIAL SHRUB

— deciduous

2' high, 3' spread.

Rounded with pale green pointed branches from the base.

Usually leafless. Leaves have 2 to 10 leaflets.

Flowers bright yellow to salmon-red at ends of branches

— spring.

May have thorns.

Native habitat: Sandy or gravelly washes below 3000'
— California desert, Nevada, Arizona, Baja California.

Full sun. Frost resistant.

Good drainage required.

Water 1 x /month.

Mix with cacti and other desert plants.

Host plant for the Cloudless Sulfur butterfly.



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