

Stipa coronata (*Achnatherum coronatum*)
Giant Stipa (Giant)Needlegrass

PERENNIAL BUNCHGRASS

2 – 4' high. Large clumps. Slender, wavy stems.

Leaf blade quite flat.

Flowers in spikes, with hairy awns
— April to July.

Native habitat: chaparral, coastal sage scrub and pinyon/ juniper woodland — usually rocky slopes below 5000' — throughout San Diego County, north to Monterey county and south into Baja California.

Full sun. Frost and heat resistant.

Fast draining soils.

Water until established. Survives with little or no summer water, but will stay greener longer with some water.

Deer resistant.

Good in clumps about 3' apart with native flowers between.



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