

Adenostoma fasciculatum

Chamise



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TALL SHRUB—evergreen.

To 10' high.

Small, narrow, dark green leaves.

Flowers tiny, in long clusters, creamy white, drying to deep rusty brown — early spring to late summer.

Native habitat: chaparral—dry slopes below 5,000'. Widespread in California and Baja California.

Full sun. Well-drained soil.

Highly tolerant of heat and drought. Frost resistant.

Little (1x/month) to no summer water, once established. Summer water will keep green.

Deep root; good for slope stabilization. Prune dead wood annually. Most common shrub in California west of the Sierra Nevada Range.

