

*Asclepias fascicularis*  
Narrow-leaf Milkweed

HERBACEOUS PERENNIAL - winter dormant.

1 - 2' high. Stems erect.

Whorled, linear leaves, 2 - 5" long.

Flowers are 5-lobed, reflexed, greenish-white to lavender, in umbels: May to October.

Fruit is narrow, about 3" long, with tufted seeds.

Native habitat: Scrub - dry places away from desert or immediate coastal belt, below 7000': throughout California, north to Washington and south to Baja California.

Full sun to light shade.

Well-drained soil.

Important larval food source for the Monarch Butterfly.



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