

Calliandra californica

Baja Fairy Duster, Tabardillo



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SMALL SHRUB

3' high, 3 to 4' wide. Densely branched, with stiff grey twigs. Leaves divided into many small leaflets, shiny above, pale beneath.

Flowers deep rose to red - spring, through year with water. Long silvery seed pod with red edges.

Native habitat: desert washes, flats, and hillsides, San Pedro de Martir to Cape region of Baja California.

Full sun.

Well drained soil.

Best with periodic deep water.

Very showy and beautiful when happy.

