Ceanothus spinosus Greenbark Ceanothus

LARGE SHRUB, SMALL TREE - evergreen.
6 - 18' high, 10'+ across. Ends of branches rigid and spiny.
Smooth, olive-green bark. Leaves thick, one-veined.
White to pale blue flower in showy 6" long clusters - February to May.

Native habitat: coastal sage scrub, chaparral in foothills and canyons below 3000' - southern California to northern Baja California.

Full sun to part shade. Frost resistant. Deep soil. Needs good drainage. Water 1 x /month once established.

Good screen or barrier. Dependable and long-lived.