

Salix gooddingii

Black Willow



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TREE—deciduous.

To more than 60' tall, but usually less, 20' wide.

Rough dark bark.

Narrow leaves to 4" long.

Flowers and leaves come out at the same time in spring.

Native habitat: stream banks and wet places below 2000 feet in California.

Full sun to part shade.

Needs water when young, drought tolerant when established.

Useful to stabilize seepage areas or slopes. Good adjacent to lawns. Can be pruned to desired shape. Good habitat for birds, butterflies, other insects.

Many ethnobotanical uses.

