

A Must-Have California Native Plant!

Mountain Mahogany

Cercocarpus betuloides



Description: Mountain Mahogany is a fast growing, water-conserving evergreen shrub that can reach 16' in height. Its longevity, deep roots, and ability to fix nitrogen make it an excellent plant for gardens and for restoration.



Light: Full Sun



31 species of butterflies and moths can lay eggs on this plant.



Featured Moth: The *Ceanothus Silk Moth* has a 4" wingspan. Its caterpillar's spines provide some protection against predators, but it still provides food to the baby birds that have adapted to eat it.

Keystone Plant: This California native is a "must have" (host) plant for caterpillars, which, in turn, are the "must have" food for baby birds.

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