



Atriplex lentiformis Quail Bush

This densely branched deciduous shrub is often found in dense stands with individual plants quite variable in shape and size. The brittle woody branch tips may be spiny. The 1 ½" long by 1" wide leaves are a dull gray-green color, and are variable in shape from oblong to oval to deltoid. The plants are separately sexed with greenish flowers occurring from late winter through spring followed by small brownish, papery seeds produced in abundance on female plants. The seeds provide an excellent food source for wildlife. Quail bush attracts butterflies and offers cover for many animals. It makes an excellent native screen. This salt-bush is native to much of the southwest, occurring on alkali flats mostly below 2000' in elevation. Extremely drought and alkaline tolerant, this plant is excellent for sites with poor quality soil. This plant becomes chlorotic if too much water is supplied.

| AT A GLANCE SUMMARY | |
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| SIZE (H X W) | 3 - 9 ft x 6 - 12 ft |
| FLOWER COLOR | Green |
| FLOWER SEASON | Late winter to spring |
| EXPOSURE | Full sun |
| WATER | Low |
| GROWTH RATE | Moderate |
| HARDINESS | 15° F, USDA Zone 8 |
| PRUNING | To Shape |



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