



Celtis pallida Desert Hackberry

More shrub than tree, this spiny, densely branched plant of the Sonoran and Chihuahuan Deserts occurs along washes and gravelly slopes. It is slow-growing and long-lived, gradually reaching 8 feet tall by 10 feet wide. The dull green leaves are small, and coarsely toothed. Desert Hackberry is semi-evergreen, depending on temperature and the availability of moisture. The inconspicuous flowers occur in spring followed by small orange drupes that provide food for birds and mammals. It is useful in erosion control and revegetation projects. Hardy to 10° F.



AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	8 feet x 10 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Green
FLOWER SEASON	Spring
EXPOSURE	Full and reflected sun
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Slow
HARDINESS	10° F, USDA Zone 7
PRUNING	To Shape



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