

Botanical Name: Acacia armata

Common Name: Kangaroo thorn

Type of Plant: dicot: tree/shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape sprawling, spreading, shrubby tree with small dark
phyllodia, densely set on spiny branches

Height 10-15' Spread 10-12' Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil needs very good drainage

Hardiness some frost (zones 13-24), does well in interior valleys

Morphology:

Leaves phyllodes semi-ovate, dark green to 1/2" long

Flowers round heads, yellow, 1/4" wide, Feb.-March

Fruit to 2" long dark brown pods

Propagation: seed

Usage: good barrier in informal landscapes on slopes, good for
flower color and quick effects

Landscape Care:

Watering prefers deep, infrequent watering

Fertilizing none

Pruning head back to keep dense

Pests/Diseases none--root rot in poorly drained areas

Special Conditions

Origin: Australia Family: Fabaceae