

Botanical Name: Eriogonum giganteum

Common Name: St. Catherine's lace

Type of Plant: dicot: shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape an erect to somewhat sprawling shrub, loosely branched to form an open rounded to mounding form; becomes more irregularly-shaped with age

Height 4' - 8' (10') Spread equal or more Growth Rate rapid

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun preferred; tolerates some shade

Soil well-draining, drier soils

Hardiness some frost (zones 14-24) - prefers warm habitats near coast

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, alternate, ovate-oblong, grayish-white, tomentose, 2"-3" long

Flowers grayish-white, tiny, in large flattened 12"-18" clusters (cymes) on stalks above the foliage; April-July

Fruit a tiny achene

Propagation: seed

Usage: an excellent medium to large-scale filler or informal background hedge - for foliage color and informal shape - a good erosion control mass-planting material for slopes

Landscape Care:

Watering an occasional deep soak - needs little watering after established

Fertilizing none is required after establishment

Pruning selectively head back to promote a fuller dense shape

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions

Origin: Catalina & San Clemente Islands Family: Polygonaceae