

ERICAMERIA LARICIFOLIA

Turpentine Bush



Low to moderate water



Full sun to part shade



Attracts butterflies



Deer resistant



Rabbit resistant



Native to the Chihuahuan Desert

Why we love it...

This super cold hardy sunflower relative is native to Arizona and the Chihuahuan desert. Its evergreen foliage smells like turpentine when crushed, which makes it unattractive to rabbits and deer. Bright-yellow flowers that draw butterflies grace the top of this shrub in late summer and fall.

It grows well in areas with native and rocky soils that receive little water, maintenance, or protection from wildlife. For impressive fall bloom and nice foliage, give Turpentine Bush a little extra water in the late summer. Plant in a location with intense reflected heat or sun with other native flowering shrubs such as Brittlebush and Globe Mallow or pair with statement plants such as Giant Hesperaloe or Red Yucca!



Lydia says: Prune back hard in early spring to refresh Turpentine Bush if it has become woody or leggy.

Evergreen Shrub:

Ericameria laricifolia

Size (H x W): 2-3 feet x 2-3 feet

Blooms: Yellow in fall

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: -10° F, USDA Zone 5

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Late fall

Growth Rate: Moderate to fast



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