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### Wright Silktassel *Garrya wrightii*

**DESCRIPTION:** Wright silktassel a small to medium sized, compact shrub seldom over 8' tall. It inhabits the same areas as Manzanita (*Arctostaphylos*) and is sometimes mistaken for that species. Round leaves are leathery and evergreen, and have pale veins. Catkin-like flowers are followed by purplish-blue, pea-sized fruit. Flowers are green and insignificant..

**RECOMMENDED USE:** Makes a good background plant, screening or barrier, and a good place for birds to alight.

#### CULTURE:



**Hardiness:** Hardy to at least 0°F.



**Sun tolerance:** Full sun to light shade.



**Watering and feeding:** In cultivation, water regularly to establish. Then, they will appreciate watering two to four times a month. An acid fertilizer in the spring is also appreciated.



**Soil requirements:** They prefer a loose, sandy, gravelly soil that is well drained and slightly on the acidic side. Add soil sulfur when planting.



**Pruning:** Any time, as needed.