

# Hillside Gooseberry

Grossulariaceae

*Ribes californicum*



## In the Garden

This attractive and deciduous shrub grows to 3'-5' tall.

An excellent plant to attract birds, which like to eat the berries. This is an excellent background plant in a bird garden, wildlife habitat, or woodland garden. The plant does have spines, so plant where it won't be disturbed.

The flowers are white-purple and bloom in February-March.

Hillside Gooseberry is native to the coast ranges and it thrives in part shade with moderate water.

- Sun:** Part Shade  
**Water:** Light, Moderate  
**Soil:** Clay, Loam  
**Other:** Attracts Butterflies, Attracts Birds, Attracts Bees

## Ecological Value:

Nectar source for hummingbirds. Birds eat berries, flowers good for hummingbird, bee, and butterfly garden

## Historical Uses:

No Historical Uses found.

## Native Distribution:

Endemic to California.

## Elevation:

Between 0 and 3281 feet

## Plant Communities:

Redwood Forest, Chaparral, Mixed Evergreen Forest, Foothill Woodland

## Habitat:

Throughout mainly coastal and forested areas of California

