

A Must-Have California Native Plant!

Arroyo Willow

Salix lasiolepis



Description: The **Arroyo Willow** grows 7' - 35' in height, and is ideal for moist areas in the garden. In fall, its leaves turn golden and drop to the ground, providing habitat for insects and animals, and natural fertilizer.



Light: Full Sun



224 species of butterflies and moths can lay eggs on this plant.



Featured Butterfly: The velvety **Mourning Cloak** can live for a year, longer than most butterflies. As a caterpillar it feeds on the leaves of trees, including maples and willows. It needs leaf and bark debris to complete its life cycle, so leave these in your garden!

Keystone Plant: This California native is a “must have” (host) plant for caterpillars, which, in turn, are the “must have” food for baby birds.

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