

Aristida purpurea
Purple Threeawn

GRASS - perennial, clumping.

10 - 32" high.

Stems nodding, branches delicate, drooping.

Inflorescence purplish. The lower bracts of florets have three long awns (stiff bristles from end of floret) that spread apart as seed develops.

Native habitat: coastal sage scrub, creosote bush scrub; dry slopes from coast to desert - southern California to Mexico and Texas.

Full sun. Frost resistant.

Water occasionally to have it stay greener longer and flower more luxuriantly.

