

**COMMON NAME:**  
CREOSOTE BUSH

**SCIENTIFIC NAME:**  
LARREA TRIDENTATA

**ALSO CALLED:** CHAPARRAL, GREASEWOOD, AND GOBERNADORA

**FLOWER COLOR:** YELLOW

**FLOWER ARRANGEMENT:** ON STEMS NEAR ENDS OF BRANCHES

**FLOWERING TIME:** FEBRUARY TO APRIL

**LEAVES:** SMALL ON STEMS SHAPED LIKE POINTED TONGUES

**NORMAL SIZE:** 5' BUT CAN REACH AS MUCH AS 16'

**EDIBLE OR NOT:** YES BUT OF NO FOOD VALUE FOR HUMANS BUT WITH SOME OTHER CLAIMED BENEFITS

**NORMAL ELEVATION:** 1000' TO 3000'

**HABITATION:** PREFERS FLAT OPEN AREAS

**ABUNDANCE:** EXTREMELY COMMON

**NOTABLE DETAILS:** WOODY BUSH WITH SMALL LEAVES AND BRIGHT YELLOW FLOWERS

**SPECIAL INTEREST:** MAY BE THE OLDEST LIVING PLANTS ON THE EARTH. CHEWING ON A TWIG MAY SLOW THIRST. SEEDS ARE THE FAVORITE FOOD OF WHITE IGUANAS