

The 51 Most Common Species of the Borrego Desert Sorted by Abundance

| # | #S | H | JM Family | Scientific Name | (*)Common Name |
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| 1 | 24 | S | Asteraceae | <i>Ambrosia dumosa</i> | burroweed |
| 2 | 24 | S | Zygophyllaceae | <i>Larrea tridentata</i> | creosote bush |
| 3 | 23 | S | Fabaceae | <i>Psoralea schottii</i> | indigo bush |
| 4 | 22 | S | Asteraceae | <i>Encelia farinosa</i> | brittlebush |
| 5 | 22 | P | Euphorbiaceae | <i>Chamaesyce polycarpa</i> | small-seeded spurge |
| 6 | 22 | S | Fouquieriaceae | <i>Fouquieria splendens</i> ssp. <i>splendens</i> | ocotillo |
| 7 | 21 | S | Asteraceae | <i>Hymenoclea salsola</i> var. <i>salsola</i> | cheesebush |
| 8 | 21 | A | Brassicaceae | <i>Brassica tournefortii</i> | *Asian mustard |
| 9 | 21 | A | Onagraceae | <i>Camissonia californica</i> | California suncup |
| 10 | 21 | P | Poaceae | <i>Pleuraphis rigida</i> | big galleta |
| 11 | 19 | S | Asteraceae | <i>Bebbia juncea</i> var. <i>aspera</i> | sweetbush |
| 12 | 19 | P | Asteraceae | <i>Stephanomeria pauciflora</i> var. <i>pauciflora</i> | wire-lettuce |
| 13 | 19 | S | Fabaceae | <i>Acacia greggii</i> | catclaw |
| 14 | 19 | S | Lamiaceae | <i>Hyptis emoryi</i> | desert-lavender |
| 15 | 18 | S | Krameriaceae | <i>Krameria grayi</i> | white rhatany |
| 16 | 17 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Opuntia basilaris</i> var. <i>basilaris</i> | beavertail cactus |
| 17 | 17 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Opuntia ganderi</i> | Gander's cholla |
| 18 | 17 | A | Plantaginaceae | <i>Plantago ovata</i> | desert plantain |
| 19 | 17 | P | Polygonaceae | <i>Eriogonum inflatum</i> | desert trumpet |
| 20 | 16 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Ferocactus cylindraceus</i> | California barrel cactus |
| 21 | 15 | A | Asteraceae | <i>Perityle emoryi</i> | Emory's rock-daisy |
| 22 | 14 | A | Onagraceae | <i>Camissonia boothii</i> ssp. <i>condensata</i> | Booth's evening primrose |
| 23 | 14 | A | Polygonaceae | <i>Chorizanthe brevicornu</i> var. <i>brevicornu</i> | brittle spineflower |
| 24 | 14 | P | Viscaceae | <i>Phoradendron californicum</i> | desert mistletoe |
| 25 | 13 | T | Fabaceae | <i>Psoralea spinosa</i> | smoke tree |

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| 26 | 13 | A | Onagraceae | <i>Camissonia claviformis</i> ssp. <i>peirsonii</i> | brown-eyed primrose |
| 27 | 13 | A | Poaceae | <i>Schismus barbatus</i> | *Mediterranean schismus |
| 28 | 12 | A | Brassicaceae | <i>Lepidium lasiocarpum</i> var. <i>lasiocarpum</i> | hairy-podded pepper-grass |
| 29 | 12 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Opuntia echinocarpa</i> | silver cholla |
| 30 | 12 | A | Hydrophyllaceae | <i>Phacelia distans</i> | common phacelia |
| 31 | 12 | S | Zygophyllaceae | <i>Fagonia laevis</i> | California fagonia |
| 32 | 11 | A | Asteraceae | <i>Rafinesquia neomexicana</i> | desert chicory |
| 33 | 11 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Opuntia bigelovii</i> | teddy-bear cholla |
| 34 | 11 | P | Euphorbiaceae | <i>Ditaxis lanceolata</i> | narrowleaf ditaxis |
| 35 | 11 | A | Fabaceae | <i>Lupinus arizonicus</i> | Arizona lupine |
| 36 | 11 | A | Hydrophyllaceae | <i>Phacelia crenulata</i> var. <i>ambigua</i> | heliotrope phacelia |
| 37 | 11 | A | Loasaceae | <i>Mentzelia involucrata</i> | bracted blazing star |
| 38 | 11 | S | Loasaceae | <i>Petalonyx thurberi</i> ssp. <i>thurberi</i> | Thurber's sandpaper-plant |
| 39 | 11 | P | Malvaceae | <i>Hibiscus denudatus</i> | rock hibiscus |
| 40 | 11 | P | Nyctaginaceae | <i>Mirabilis bigelovii</i> var. <i>retrorsa</i> | wishbone plant |
| 41 | 10 | C | Cactaceae | <i>Opuntia ramosissima</i> | pencil cholla |
| 42 | 10 | A | Fabaceae | <i>Lupinus concinnus</i> | bajada lupine |
| 43 | 10 | S | Fabaceae | <i>Psoralea emoryi</i> | Emory's indigo-bush |
| 44 | 10 | A | Geraniaceae | <i>Erodium cicutarium</i> | *redstem filaree |
| 45 | 10 | A | Lamiaceae | <i>Salvia columbariae</i> | chia |
| 46 | 9 | A | Asteraceae | <i>Senecio mohavensis</i> | Mojave ragwort |
| 47 | 9 | S | Asteraceae | <i>Trixis californica</i> var. <i>californica</i> | California trixis |
| 48 | 9 | S | Boraginaceae | <i>Tiquilia palmeri</i> | Palmer's coldenia |
| 49 | 9 | S | Chenopodiaceae | <i>Atriplex hymenelytra</i> | desert holly |
| 50 | 9 | S | Chenopodiaceae | <i>Atriplex polycarpa</i> | cattle saltbush |
| 51 | 9 | F | Pteridaceae | <i>Cheilanthes parryi</i> | woolly lipfern |

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