

## Bassia scoparia

### (common kochia, Burningbush)

Burningbush is a fast-growing annual, that grows in full sun, well drained soil, and needs average watering. It's drought tolerant.

In non-native areas it's sometime considered invasive because it re-seeds its self frequently. Can be used for hedges or topiaries, as well as in containers. In fall, the foliage changes its color to become burgundy.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Bassie à balais

**Pronunciation:** BASS-ee-uh sko-PAIR-ee-uh

**Plant Type:** Shrub

**Origin:** Eurasia

**Heat Zones:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

**Hardiness Zones:** 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

**Uses:** Hedge, Topiary, Border Plant, Container

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Canopy Density:** Dense

**Height at Maturity:** 1 to 1.5 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 1 to 1.5 meters

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Flower Image

### Botanical Description

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#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Nearly Invisible

**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** Less than 5

**Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Ciliate

**Leaf Textures:** Hairy

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Purple

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** False

**Flower Scent:** No Fragrance

**Flower Color:** Green

**Seasons:** Summer, Fall

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#### Fruit

**Seasons:** Summer, Fall

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Moderate

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxity:** Yes

**Invasive Potential:** Yes

**Pruning Requirement:** No pruning at all

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** Less than 25

**Edible Parts:** None

**Plant Propagations:** Seed

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Bark Image



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