

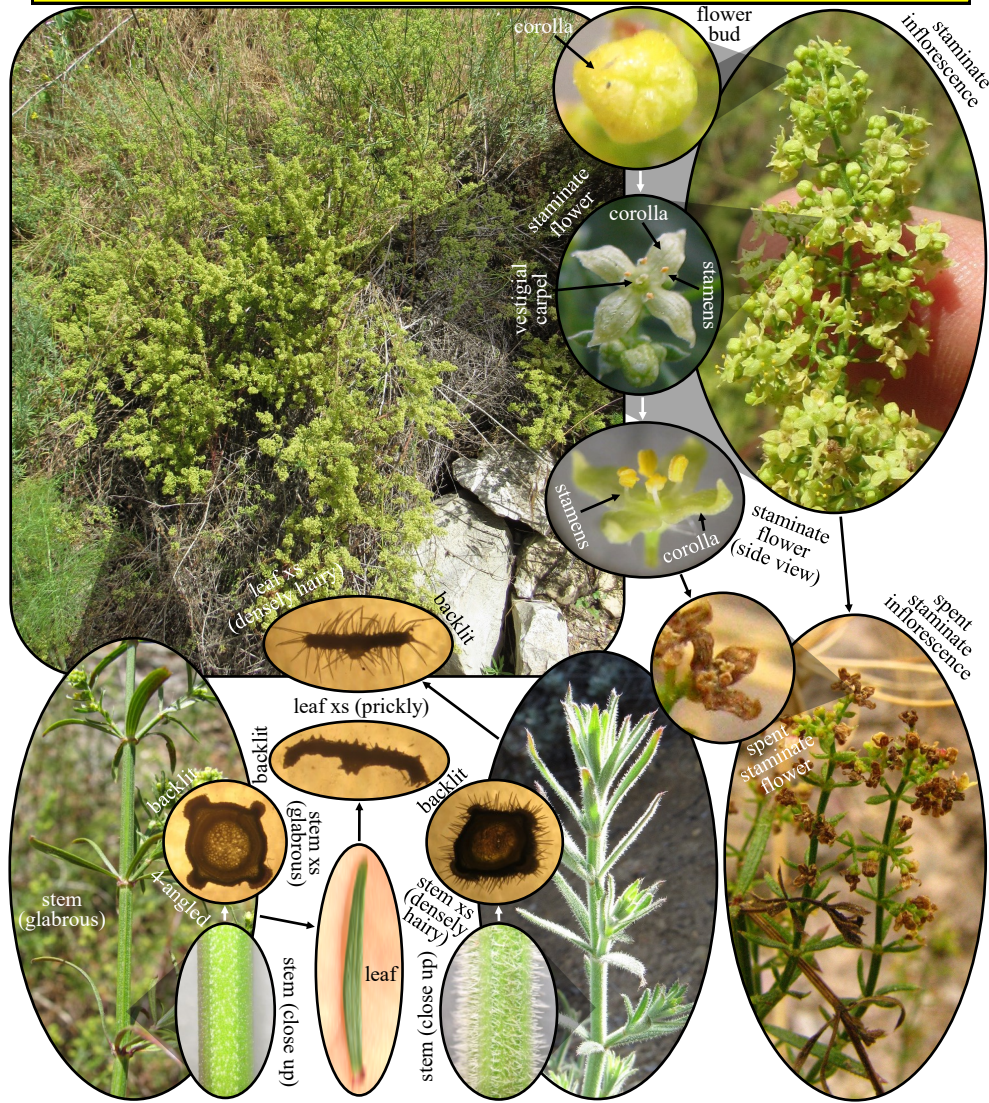
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Galium angustifolium subsp. *angustifolium* is a perennial herbaceous plant. It is found throughout the peninsula. This plant is dioecious. The overall plant tends to be herbaceous but can sometimes be somewhat woody above the base (the more woody plants being seen in stable intact habitats). The overall plant can also be glabrous to densely hairy (densely hairy plants appearing a bluish green color). On the peninsula, the densely hairy plants appear to be restricted to the San Pedro Channel facing side. The stems of this plant are thin and +/- erect. The stems are also 4-angled and often have ridges that run lengthwise along them. The leaves are thin, +/- linear, and whor-



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led around the stem. The flowers lack a calyx and the corolla (generally 4-lobed and rotate) is usually yellowish but can be whitish or reddish. The staminate flowers have vestigial carpels and usually 4 functional stamens. The corolla of the staminate flower is a yellowish to a whitish color. The pistillate flowers have vestigial stamens with functional carpels (ovaries 2-lobed with 2 styles) and the corolla is a yellowish to whitish color (sometimes with red especially on the abaxial side of the corolla). The fruit is a nutlet with each pistillate flower producing 2 nutlets. The nutlets are densely covered in long hairs that are generally straight and spreading.

