Comparative Seed Manual: JUNCACEAE

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This seed manual consists of photos and relevant information on plant species housed in the Integrative Subsistence Laboratory at the Anthropology Department, University of California, Santa Barbara. The impetus for the creation of this manual was to enable UCSB graduate students to have access to comparative materials when making in-field identifications. Most of the plant species included in the manual come from New World locales with an emphasis on Eastern North America, California, Mexico, Central America, and the South American Andes.

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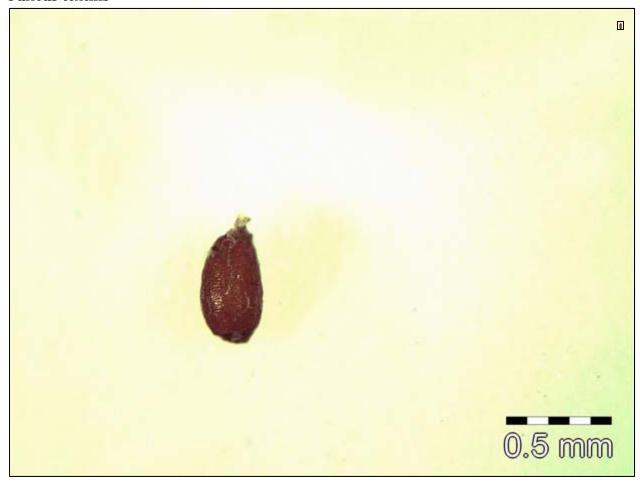
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Species included herein:

Juncus textilis

¹ <u>Disclaimer</u>: Information on relevant edible and medicinal uses comes from a variety of sources, both published and internet-based; this manual does **NOT** recommend using any plants as food or medicine without first consulting a medical professional.

Juncus textilis



Family: Juncaceae

Common Names: Basket rush

Habitat and Growth Habit: This species is native to California and is also endemic, or limited to, California. It is more common in the LA basin and surrounding areas of southern California. Places where basket rush can be found included coastal mountain range, wetland riparian, creeks, streambeds, and near poison oak, sycamores, and coast live oaks.

Human Uses: This species has been used by Native Americans for basket weaving. As well basket rush has ornamental and erosion control uses.

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