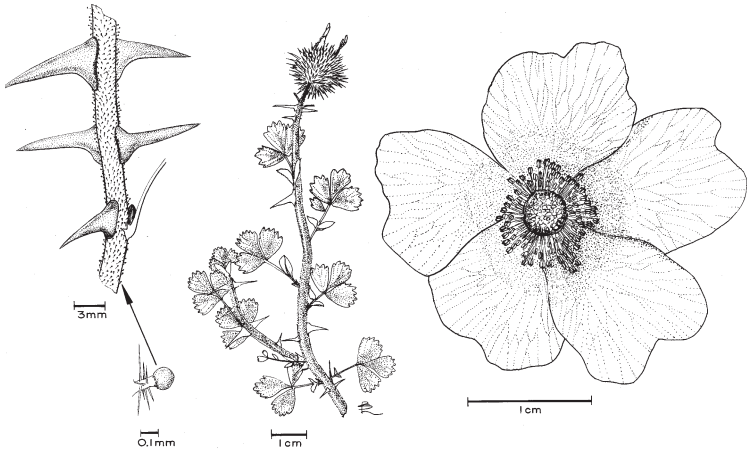


Low-growing clonal shrub with numerous stiff upright stems up to 1 m tall

numerous straight light-colored thorns on dark stems; stems also with glands encircled by tiny stiff white spines

flowers dark pink, about 5 cm across



fruits prickly, greenish or brown, 10-18 mm in diameter

leaves with 3-5 wedge-shaped leaflets, 5-12 mm long and 3-9 mm wide

## *Rosaceae* (Rose Family)

**Phenology:** flowering May-June, fruiting September.

**Management Responsibility:** NPS (Grand Canyon NP, Lake Mead NRA), BLM (AZ Strip Field Office), Navajo Nation

**Synonyms:** *Rosa stellata* var. *abyssa* (A. Phillips) N.H. Holmgren

**Similar Species:** Arizona rose (*Rosa woodsii*) has brown curved spines, lacks stellate pubescence, has fruits without prickles, and is generally found at higher elevations in more mesic habitats.

**References:** AGFD, 1992j. Cronquist, et al, 1997. Phillips, A.M., 1992.



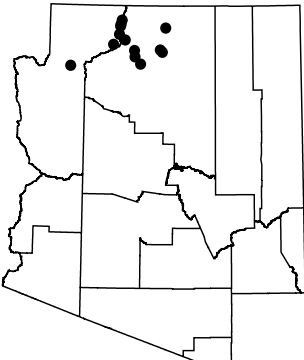
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*Rosa stellata* ssp. *abyssa*

**Habitat:** gravelly soils derived from Timpoweap Kaibab limestone, often at canyon rims and along low ledges at depressions caused by breccia pipes, Great Basin conifer woodland or scrub, 4,500-7,500 ft (1370-2285 m) elevation.



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**Range:** north and south rims of Grand Canyon; rims of Kanab Canyon; and east rim of Marble Canyon.