

Agave filifera

THREAD LEAF AGAVE

These Agaves have it all! Narrow 3/4 - 1.5 in. wide, lance-shaped green leaves about 1 ft. long, are gently curved to form an artichoke-like rosette with propensity to form clumps of several offsets up to 3-4ft. across. The smooth, toothless margins shred or tear off to create a hairy appearance that stands out from any amount of back-lighting, and they have white strips that form decorative crossing bud imprints on the leaf surfaces. They do have a short but sharp terminal spine, which makes them a bit ferocious, despite their fuzzy animal-like look. They are tolerant of full or part sun, alkaline soils and of course drought conditions. They are native to sky island, pine-forested habitats of central Mexico, which provides a good amount of cold hardiness.



DESCRIPTION

 2-3 FT. x 2-3 FT.

 FULL TO PART SUN

 USDA ZONE 8-12

 NORTHERN NEW MEXICO

 RED

 MODERATE TO LOW

 TO 15°F