



**ARIZONA**  
WHOLESALE GROWERS

PLANT OBSESSED AND CUSTOMER  
FOCUSED SINCE 1982

PLANT DETAILS

# Ferocactus wislizenii

## FISHHOOK BARREL

This is our Sonoran Desert native barrel cactus. They grow from central Arizona into Southern NM, and just barely into W. TX. They typically grow as a thick, single column with 20-30 widely spaced ribs. Each rib is lined with large areoles that contain 2-4 inch radial spines with gray to brown colored sharp, central spines that are distinctively hooked at their tips giving them their common name of Fishhook barrel. These are slow growing, durable cacti with efficient water absorbing root systems spreading out in a spiderwebbed pattern a good distance from the plant. Loose, sandy or rocky soils are best, and they will tolerate filtered sunlight from large shrubs or arid adapted trees. In the spring, a showy ring of orange to reddish flowers form at the top, which are then followed by persistent fleshy yellow fruits for summer. Fishhook barrels are offered in containers and as bareroot specimens.



### DESCRIPTION

 1-5 FT. x 1-2 FT.

 FULL TO PART SUN

 USDA ZONE 8-11

 NORTH AMERICA

 ORANGE

 LOW

 TO 15°F