

# Opuntia engelmannii

## ENGELMAN'S PRICKLY PEAR

Engelman's Prickly Pear is one of the most widely distributed types of cacti, which gives designers a clue to their adaptability and versatility. They have pleasantly rounded green pads covered with areoles that have white, gray to golden medium sized, sharp spines typically surrounded by brown glochids. Flower color variations are quite common along with some other physical characteristics like shape, size, and spine density, due to their naturally wide distribution. If you are observant, you can find flower colors ranging from yellow, to orange or pink. They will tolerate light filtered sun locations, but they should be planted in well-drained soils, with minimal water. Pads can be removed as needed to "prune" them for shape and size.



### DESCRIPTION

 3-5 FT. x 3-6 FT.

 FULL SUN

 USDA ZONE 7-11

 NORTH AMERICA & MEXICO

 YELLOW/VARIES

 LOW

 TO 0°F