

Opuntia violacea

PURPLE PRICKLY PEAR, SANTA RITA PRICKLY PEAR

Their new pads are dark purple and as the pads mature with a purple hue over a waxy, powder-blue color. During cold or drought stress pads will also turn deep amethyst, especially along the outer edges of each pad. The spines are dark brown to nearly black which are attractively offset against the light golden glochids. With their unique coloration and medium size, they are a perfect accent plant for artistic southwestern landscape designs.



DESCRIPTION

 2-4 FT. x 2-5 FT.

 FULL TO PART SUN

 USDA ZONE 7-11

 NORTH AMERICA & MEXICO

 YELLOW

 LOW

 TO 10°F