

Oreocereus trollii

OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAINS

This South American native grows at high elevations in remote mountainous locations in the Andes. They form thick columns that will eventually become branched at the base to form small but husky, attractive clumps. Long, sharp golden-brown to reddish colored spines protrude out from under their distinctive ghostly fuzzy white cloaks. This hair has evolved to protect their green skin from sunburn and cold. They are slow growing, but low maintenance plants that are easy to care for. Plant them in-ground or in containers with well-drained soil with occasional water during the hottest summer months in the low desert but withhold water from fall through spring to prevent root rot.



DESCRIPTION	
	1-3 FT. x 2-4 FT.
	FULL SUN
	USDA ZONE 7-11
	ARGENTINA
	PINK
	LOW
	TO 10°F