

Opuntia Gomei

(sp. 'Old Mexico')

OLD MEXICO PRICKLY PEAR

Originally from the Rio Grande area of South Texas, the 'Old Mexico' grows to be a sprawling large cactus with the look of the old southwest desert. Large, thin, light green paddle-shaped pads are irregularly undulated and scalloped along the leaf margins. Although technically spineless, it has tiny glochids can irritate. Like many other Opuntia, large colorful yellow flowers appear in late spring to summer, followed by oblong reddish/purple fruits, 2-3 inches long. Beyond its striking appearance, Opuntia Gomei provides a habitat for wildlife and attracts pollinators with its colorful blossoms. Extremely heat and drought-tolerant, it requires virtually no additional irrigation once established. Plant in full to part sun in well-drained soil. Use in large, open cactus rock gardens for a barrier or textural accent.



DESCRIPTION	
	5 FT. x 8 FT.
	FULL SUN
	USDA ZONE 8-11
	NORTH AMERICA
	YELLOW
	LOW
	TO 10°F