



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Limberbush or Sangregado

Jatropha cuneata

DESCRIPTION: This Limberbush is a close relative of the limberbush that grows locally. It differs in being a shrub, which can grow to 10' tall or more in habitat. It also has smaller leaves and whitish stems. In cultivation it stays 3' tall or less. It is evergreen, unless severely frosted. Flowers and fruit are insignificant; it is grown for its unusual crooked growth form and the attractive ringed stems. Growth rate is slow. Limberbush grows in the southwest corner of Arizona, and south into Sonora and Baja California, Mexico.

RECOMMENDED USE: Best kept as a container plant because of its tenderness.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: Tender to temperatures much below 22°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun to light shade.



Watering and feeding: Low water use. Approximately every 5-8 days during the warm weather growing season. Fertilize once or twice a season with a complete plant food.



Soil requirements: Any soil that drains.



Pruning: None needed.

Note: The clear sap of many species of *Jatropha* leaves permanent brown stains on clothing.