

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Blue Beargrass

Nolina nelsonii

DESCRIPTION: Blue Beargrass has long, 1-inch-wide leaves ranging from grey-green to powder blue (sometimes with a purplish tint). The leaves are edged with tiny teeth. It grows at a moderate rate, eventually developing a tall trunk to 10' or more. Periodically an imposing spike of greenish-white flowers is produced. Native to north-eastern Mexico

RECOMMENDED USE: This sculptural plant can be used in a container, as a specimen plant or as a focal point in an enhanced desert landscape or xeriscape

CULTURE:

Hardiness: Tolerates moderate freezes to 10°F.



Sun tolerance: Best in full sun, but can tolerate light shade.



Watering and feeding: In containers, water regularly, but do not overwater. In the ground it can be watered infrequently once established.



Soil requirements: Needs fast draining soil



Pruning: Old leaves persist on the trunk and may be removed for a neater appearance.