

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Desert Senna or Dais

Senna covesii

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RECOMMENDED USE: Desert Senna has many landscape uses, but is particularly useful in enhanced desert landscape or xeriscapes and to attract wildlife.

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