



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Mohave Yucca or Datilo

Yucca schidigera

DESCRIPTION: Mohave Yucca is a robust, often clumped plant growing up to 5 meters tall. Growth rate is slow. From the ends of the sparingly branched stems, it produces clusters of creamy white or purple flowers. Flowering occurs any time from late winter until June and may not occur every year. Mohave Yucca can be found from the northern edge of the Sonoran Desert in Baja California to the Mohave Desert in southern Nevada and northwestern Arizona.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use this hardy plant as an accent or a specimen for its form, or in an enhanced desert landscape or xeriscape. It can live in a very large patio container.

CULTURE:

- Hardiness:** Mohave Yucca is fully hardy anywhere in Tucson.
- Sun tolerance:** It will have its best form in full sun to light shade.
- Watering and feeding:** Water every week to three weeks, depending on soil type and weather.
- Soil requirements:** Any soil, but more frequent watering may be needed in very sandy soil.
- Pruning:** Only to remove dead leaves if you are going for the look of a clean trunk.