

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Moraccan Mound Spurge Euphorbia resinifera

DESCRIPTION: Native to the Atlas Mountains in Morocco. It is a shrub growing to 60 cm tall, forming multi-stemmed cushion-shaped clumps up to 2 m wide. The stems are erect and succulent; superficially like a cactus (an example of convergent evolution in a similar semi-desert climate). They are four-angled and chalky-green, with short but sharp pairs of white spines on the angles. Growth rate is slow to moderate, creating mounds a foot or two tall and several feet across in years. Flowers are minute and yellow.

RECOMMENDED USE: Use as a rock garden or succulent garden accent, and for its form

CULTURE:

Hardiness: Down to at least 22°F.

Sun tolerance: Full sun is okay, but better with filtered afternoon shade.

Watering and feeding: Low water use, but benefits from regular irrigation in warm weather.



Soil requirements: Any soil which drains.



Pruning: None necessary.