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## ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

### Chahuiqui *Agave multifilifera*

**DESCRIPTION:** Chahuiqui is a century plant native to the Tropical Deciduous Forests and oak zones of northern Mexico. It grows strikingly beautiful narrow dark green leaves with filamentous white strands curling from them. Rosettes can be three feet wide. This is a non-suckering species and will bloom at the end of its life (around 20 years).

**RECOMMENDED USE:** Use as an accent plant in a protected area. Makes an attractive potted succulent, especially when small; larger size makes the plant difficult to handle.

#### CULTURE:



**Hardiness:** To at least 18°F.



**Sun tolerance:** Light shade preferred but can tolerate full sun in Tucson.



**Watering and feeding:** In the desert it grows mainly in the mild weather of spring and fall, when it should be watered about once every week or two in the ground. In summer water only enough to keep leaves from shriveling. Fertilize once each in spring and fall. In containers, water more frequently.



**Soil requirements:** Well-drained.



**Pruning:** None needed.