



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Texas Tuberoses *Manfreda maculosa*

DESCRIPTION: Also known as Spice Lily, Texas Tuberoses is a semi-succulent perennial native to Southern Texas and Mexico. It grows nearly flat to the ground, forming a rosette of fleshy, 1' long leaves. The sword-shaped leaves that are marked with round reddish-purple to dark brown spots. In the spring long flower spikes to 6' tall appear. Flowers are 2" long and cream to greenish-white in color, fading to pinkish. They are mildly fragrant. Once established, this plant can survive even the driest years by going drought deciduous.

RECOMMENDED USE: Group plantings give an interesting groundcover effect. It can be in a patio pot if it is a deep containers that will give adequate space to this plant's extensive root system.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: At least 16°F.



Sun tolerance: Plant in full sun to light shade



Watering and feeding: Plants look best if planted in full sun and allowed to dry out prior to the next irrigation.



Soil requirements: Grow best in a well-drained soil.



Pruning: Remove older leaves that usually die back in winter.