

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Guajillo

Vachellia (Acacia) berlandieri

DESCRIPTION: Guajillo is native to the Chihuahuan Desert. It forms a large shrub or it can be trained into a small multi-trunked tree. The lush foliage hides small prickles along the branches. Clusters of small, creamy white puff-ball flowers in spring and early summer are followed by wide, flattened seed pods. It is capable of handling full and reflected sun, this is a great patio tree for the low desert environment. This plant is susceptible to wildlife damage and should be protected while small.

RECOMMENDED USE: The fern-like foliage has a delicate, tropical appearance perfect for patios

CULTURE:

Hardiness: At least to 20°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun to light shade.



Watering and feeding: Extremely drought tolerant, but responds to regular watering. Fertilization not needed.



Soil requirements: Best in soils which drain.



Pruning: Light as needed