

ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Goat's Horn Cactus

Astrophytum capricorne

DESCRIPTION: This unusual cactus is grown for its wonderful form and color, as well as its large yellow flowers. It blooms readily at 2" in height and may eventually grow to be 16" or more tall. Goat's Horn Cactus is native to central and northern Mexico; primarily in the Chihuahuan Desert. Hybrids can have varying forms and density of spines as well as stem coloration.

RECOMMENDED USE: Can be kept in a container, or used in-ground in a rock garden or patio.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: Winter hardy to at least 15°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun to all day light shade.



Watering and feeding: In a container, it will need weekly watering in hot weather. Feed with a weak liquid fertilizer monthly from April until September.



Soil requirements: Any fast draining soil in the ground. In a container, use cactus potting mix.



Pruning: None needed.