

H. WARREN BUCKNER CACTUS & SUCCULENT GARDEN



This garden was designed and installed by the Buckner family and displays a seemingly endless variety of cacti and succulents. In fact, it even spills over to the other side of the path! This is a great addition to any home garden as maintenance and watering is minimal, yet it supports local wildlife and can be an absolute showpiece. It's amazing to learn how many regions they come from. And a special treat with this type of garden is the plants bloom at different times; there's always something new and interesting to see. While visiting this garden, spend time soaking in the beauty, not memorizing names. To help you out, the following pages are a ready reference listing many of them seen here. Since all of these plants are similar in planting and care details, we won't include that information. Instead, we highlight details about origins and some of their unique qualities. Read on to learn more about this very special collection of plants.

Adding Height and Drama to Cactus Gardens.



Many cacti and succulents are low-lying plants. Including a tree and a few taller plants for height and interest, gives cactus gardens layers of dimensions and depth. This garden has a special tree, the Palo Verde, as well as "Sticks on Fire" and the "Slipper Plant" (on following pages), adding depth. Palo Verde (Parkinsonia 'Desert Museum') is a real show piece of the "museum" a desert landscape can be. It's native to the Sonoran Deserts of California, Arizona and New Mexico, and is from the legume family. It's also the state tree of Arizona.

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< Blue Glow Agave
(*Agave attenuata* x *ocahui*) a hybrid
created right here in
Southern California.
Adds year-round
interest to gardens.



Red Aloe >
(*Aloe cameronii*)
Native to Africa.
Attracts birds.



< Spider Agave
(*Agave bracteosa*)
Native to Mexico.
Produces nectar.
Attracts humming-
birds.



Sunset Aloe >
(*Aloe dorotheae*)
Native to Tanzania.
Attracts birds.



< Mango Madness
Aloe (*Aloe vanbalenii*
x *cameronii* cultivar)
Attracts humming-
birds.



Tiger's Jaw Aloe >
(*Faucaria tigrina*)
Native to South
Africa. Endangered
in the wild.

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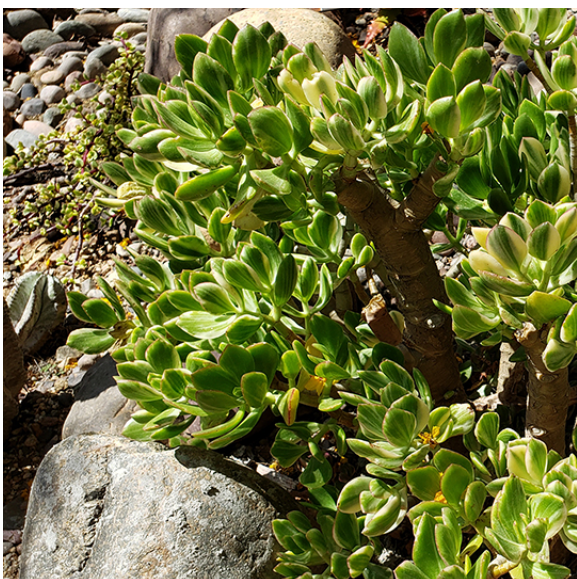
< Etna Echeveria
(*Echeveria etna*)
Native to Europe.
Named after most
active volcano in
Europe.

Flapjack Kalanchoe >
(*Kalanchoe luciae*)
Native to South
Africa. Blooms winter
to spring.



< Chocolate Soldier
Panda Plant (*Kalan-
choe tomentosa*)
Madagascar native.
Red blossoms in
summer.

Purple Prickly Pear >
(*Opuntia santa rita*)
Native to southwest
US. Attracts birds.



< Variegated Jade
Plant (*Crassula ovata*
'*Variegata*') Native to
south coast of Africa.
Toxic, but non-
severe symptoms.

Snow Prickly Pear >
(*Opuntia erinacea*
ursine) Native to the
Americas, this cactus
is cold tolerant.



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< Crown of Thorns
(*Euphorbia millii*)
Madagascar native.
The red is actually a
modified leaf (bract)
enclosing green
blossoms.

Snowflake >
Euphorbia
(*Euphorbia polygona*)
South Africa native.
Sap irritates skin and
eyes. Toxic.



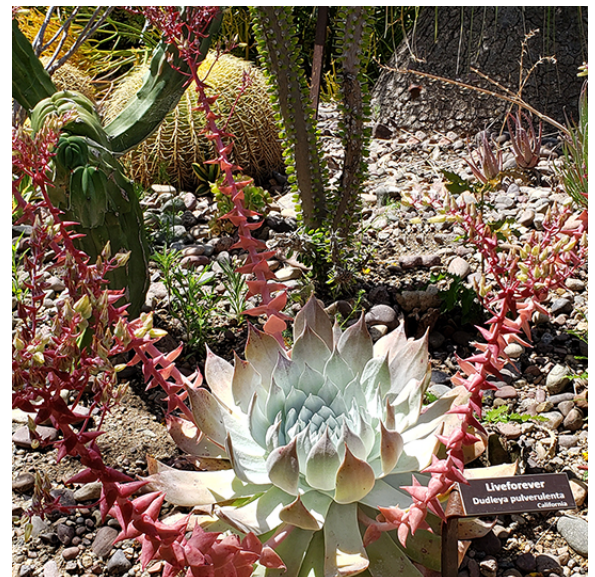
< Eve's Needle
(*Austrocylindropuntia*
subulata) Native to
Peruvian Andes. Can
grow to 13 feet!

Sticks on Fire >
(*Euphorbia tirucalli*
'Rosea') Native to
India, Africa, Arabian
peninsula. Sap can
irritate eyes and skin
and can be toxic.



< Golden Barrel
Cactus (*Echinocactus*
grusonii) Native
to Mexico and SW
USA. Doesn't bloom
until quite old.

Liveforever >
(*Dudleya pulverulenta*)
Native to SW USA
and northern Mexico.
Attracts bees and
hummingbirds.

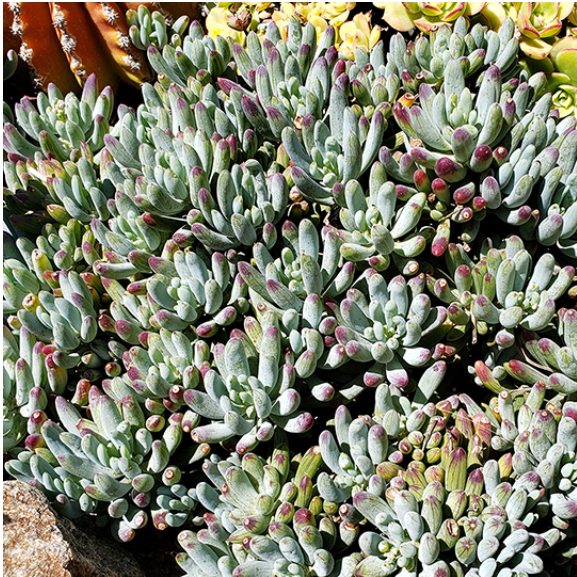


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< Madagascar Palm
(Pachypodium lamerei)
Madagascar native.
Not actually related to palms!

Slipper Plant >
(Pedilanthus bracteatus)
Native to Mexico.
Spring to fall blooms.
Pollinated by hummingbirds.



< Narrow-Leaf Chalksticks
(Senecio talinoides cylindricus)
Native to Eastern Cape of South Africa.
Winter grower, summer dormant.



Nature Engineered



Rock beds, boulders and pieces of natural wood add interest to cactus gardens. We believe that makes them feel more like they occurred naturally. That was our plan. We hope you agree and enjoy this celebration life and desert wonders.

