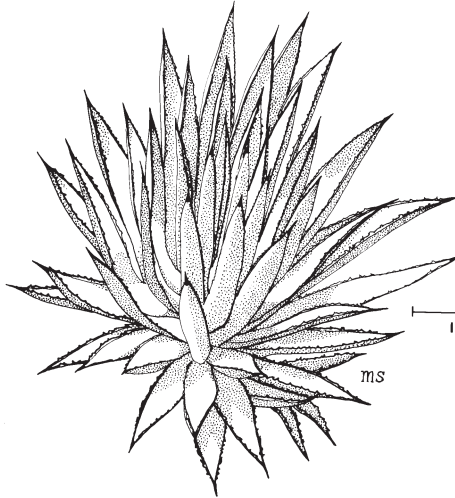


Perennial succulent

leaves deep green with a reddish-brown (mahogany) to light gray callose margin extending nearly to the base; 13-31 cm long, 2-3 cm wide; broadest at middle of leaf

flowers urn-shaped, 25-32 mm long, tepals clasping filaments

2 cm



small, dense rosette

10 cm

ms

Inflorescence with stalk 3-4 m tall, with short, lateral branches

1.5 m

Agavaceae (Agave Family)

Phenology: flowering May to July.

Management Responsibility: USFS (Tonto NF), private.

Synonyms: *Agave arizonica* Gentry & Weber, *A. chrysantha* x *A. toumeyana* var. *bella*.

Similar Species: differs from *A. chrysantha* and *A. toumeyana* by its short lateral branches, urn-shaped flowers, and corneous, toothed leaf margins.

Notes: known from 50-60 clones, probably of hybrid origin between *A. chrysantha* and *A. toumeyana* var. *bella*; fertile seed produced from controlled crosses; poor reproduction in wild due to low numbers, cattle and wildlife herbivory, possible low pollen viability due to chromosomal disturbance.

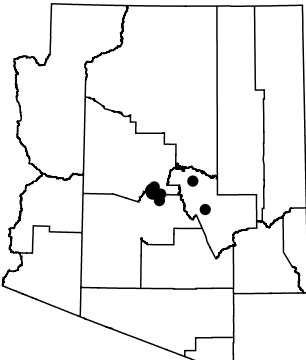
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Agave x arizonica

Habitat: open, rocky slopes in Sonoran desertscrub, chaparral, or juniper-grassland, 3,600-5,800 ft (1095-1765 m) elevation.



Range: 50-60 clones in New River Mountains of central Arizona; not conspecific with Star Valley plants (Pinkava 14036, ASU), but found in area.