



Plant of the Month | **JANUARY 2019**



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The medio-picta agave is an attractive variegated agave and offers a wonderful accent plant for a variety of garden types. This cultivar's slightly smaller size compared to the generic agave americana and distinct variegated coloring make it a very desirable species of succulent for landscapers. It makes a great addition to rock gardens, succulent gardens, or themed Mediterranean gardens. It can also be an excellent



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choice for potted specimens around porches or sunny, focal point areas. Because of its sharp spines beware of planting it near paths and walkways.

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MEDIO-PICTA AGAVE

Agave americana 'Mediopicta alba'

ACCENT SHRUB

GROWTH & HABITAT

SIZE: 2'-4' HT

USDA HARDINESS ZONE: 9-11

SALT TOLERANCE: High tolerance

ORIGIN: Mexico

LIGHT: FULL SUN/ PART SHADE



MOISTURE: LOW MOISTURE



DESIGN & AESTHETICS

SHAPE: Rosette of thick, gray-green fleshy leaves with a long terminal spike, lined with recurved spines along the edges.

LANDSCAPE USE: Used as an accent plant that provides a striking architectural element and year-round foliage color. Often used in garden beds and accent pots.

FLOWER: Yellow-green flowers grow on a 5' or taller inflorescence stemming from the center with variegated spikes.

FRUIT: Brown, oval fruits 1"-3" long

WILDLIFE: Hummingbirds

PLANT DESCRIPTION: Low-maintenance, evergreen plant in the shape of a beautiful rosette. The leaves provide a distinct color contrast that features a white-cream stripe down the center. The leaves undulate slightly, giving this plant a fountain-like appearance. Its tall inflorescence forms after about a decade.

PESTS & DISEASES

PESTS: None

DISEASES: None



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