



Agave americana Century Plant

This granddaddy of agaves certainly makes a statement! It is relatively fast growing, to about 6 feet tall by 8-10 feet wide. The wide, grey leaves have stiff terminal spines and recurved teeth along the margins. Century plant prefers full sun exposures and well-drained soils, but is adaptable to a wide range of conditions, including coastal climates. It is cold hardy to 15° F. Unfortunately, it is the most popular menu item for the agave snout weevil. As with most agaves, the tall stalk of spectacular golden flowers signals the end of the mother plants' life cycle, but this species pups freely. *Agave americana* v. *marginata* has creamy yellow stripes along the leaf margins. *Agave americana* v. *mediopicta* has arching leaves, with a creamy white stripe down the center. 'Mediopicta' will grow to about 4 feet tall and wide. USDA Zone 8.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	4-6 feet x 4-10 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Golden yellow
FLOWER SEASON	Spring
EXPOSURE	Full sun
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	15° F, USDA Zone 8
PRUNING	None



Agave americana var. marginata



Agave americana var. mediopicta



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