



## Euphorbia antisiphilitica Candelilla

If you need a low-growing, tough, heat-tolerant plant for medians or other areas with site visibility restrictions, this may be the perfect choice. This interesting member of the spurge family is a Chihuahuan Desert native that occurs in southwest New Mexico, west Texas and into Mexico. The nearly leafless gray-green stems are pencil-like in appearance and have a waxy coating. A high quality wax may be derived from the stems for use in candle making. As with many Euphorbias, the milky sap may be irritating to the skin. Tiny creamy white flowers with red centers are produced in clusters following spring and summer rains. Extremely drought tolerant, they perform best in full sun and good drainage.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	1-2 feet x 2-3 feet
FLOWER COLOR	White
FLOWER SEASON	Spring into summer
EXPOSURE	Full sun, reflected heat
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Slow to moderate
HARDINESS	0° F, USDA Zone 7
PRUNING	None



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