



## Nolina texana Bear Grass, Sacahuista

*Nolina texana* is native to New Mexico and central Texas. It is very similar in appearance to *Nolina microcarpa* and *Nolina lindheimeriana*, but it is more prostrate and flowering, and its flower spike is held down inside the rosette of foliage. *Nolina texana* resembles an evergreen grass, growing slowly to form a clump of leathery green leaves to 2-3 feet tall and 3-4 feet wide. The slender dark green leaves have smooth margin and soft tips. In the summer it sends up a 18-24 inch tall spike of creamy white flowers, which remains nestled inside the mound of leaves. *Nolina texana* grows well in full sun or full shade, provided that the drainage is adequate. It is cold hardy  $-20^{\circ}$  F.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	2-3 feet x 3-4 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Creamy white
FLOWER SEASON	Summer
EXPOSURE	Full sun, part shade
WATER	Low, extra summer water
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	$-20^{\circ}$ F, USDA Zone 5
PRUNING	Remove spent flower stalks



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