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SPECIES	Agave americana
COMMON NAME	Century Plant, Maguey
ORIGIN	Mexico
DESIGN USE	Accent planting



#### HEIGHT

1.8m–3.0m

#### SPREAD

3.0m–4.0m

#### FORM

Trunkless foliage rosette



#### FLOWERS

Inflorescence terminal, 5-8m tall branched pinnacle. The spike with a cyme of big yellow flowers, may reach up to 8m in height.

#### FLOWERING PERIOD

Once every 10-20 years. The plant dies after flowering but produces suckers from the base.

#### FRUIT

Produces live plantlets on the old inflorescence which fall off and take root.



#### VARIATIONS

Foliage colour can vary from dark green to silver glaucous with different variegation patterns and strongly curved leaves.

*var. Expansa*

*var. Latifolia*

*var. Marginate*

*var. Variegata*

#### CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Cultivated for its adaptability to hot arid, coastal, moist tropical and cool Mediterranean conditions.

#### HORTICULTURE

Prefers full sun or light shade and well-drained soil meet its limited requirement.

#### REFERENCES

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