

# Blue Flame Agave



## Agave 'Blue Flame'

- **Use:** A bold clumping plant that is a hybrid between *A. shawii* and *A. attenuata*. It has long and gracefully tapered blue-green leaves, growing 3-5 ft. ... First propagated in the 1960s, it has recently been discovered as a landscape and garden plant. They are also very salt tolerant and are excellent for beach-side landscapes also! Once the main plant blooms it will perish and live on through the "babies". This beautiful, yet tough and drought tolerant plant is an elegant choice for sunny, dry gardens and well-suited to containers.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun. Water every 10 days to weeks allowing soil to dry out in between waterings. Use slow release fertilizer for best results. Do not plant in low lying areas . Drainage is of utmost importance. Sandy soil a must. Planting in any red clay is a death sentence.
- **Growth:** Grows 2-3' tall and 3-4' wide, larger over long periods of time. Older clumps build up to form large dense masses to up to 5 feet tall or more.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 8-11, Perennial (hardy to 15 degrees, will need winter protection)
- **Foliage:** Evergreen; The flexible blue-green leaves spineless margins and only a terminal spine. The blue cast to the leaves form from a glaucous waxy cuticle that covers the surface.
- **Flower:** Blooms only once every 10 years.



Looks lovely in rock gardens, near stacked stone, and in pots.