

Silver Fox Mad About Mangave



**A real conversation starter!
Native to North America.**



Mangave 'Mad About Silver Fox'

- ***Use:*** Mangave is a relatively new phenomenon, an intergeneric cross of *Manfreda* x *Agave*. These rare hybrids combine the best of both worlds: the better growth rate and the interesting patterns of *Manfreda*, and the habit and refinement of *Agave*. We are very excited (shall we say mad?) about these hybrids. A stunning and exceptional variety in a color that you wouldn't expect to see in a Mangave! Just like the white fur of a silver fox, this succulent glows nearly white when you first glance at it. In reality, it's more of a light green covered with a thick waxy coating to give it that glowing color.
- ***Exposure/Soil:*** Grows best in full sun. Plant in well-drained, dry to average soil in containers just slightly wider than the width of the rosette or plant directly in the ground. In summer when the plants are actively growing, they appreciate a bit of supplemental watering and half-strength fertilizer. They should be grown dry in winter. Mangave is a slower grower, so it will not quickly overtake the space it is allotted in the landscape.
- ***Growth:*** Grows 8-10" tall and 16-18" wide and can expand further.
- ***Hardiness:*** Zone 9-11; Annual, but still untested in our area and may be perennial. Good drainage in rocky soil is a must for good winter drainage. Bring indoors in winter and keep above 60 degrees with high light as a houseplant for safest bet until we know more about their cold hardiness in our area.
- ***Foliage:*** Deciduous (Evergreen if indoors in winter). Light blue-purple spotting appears underneath the silvery coating, but is mostly unnoticeable from a distance. In addition to its wonderful color, 'Silver Fox' has a magnificent habit, with thick, arching leaves and defined marginal teeth.
- ***Flower:*** After several years of growth, a plant can send up a bloom stalk up to 7.0' high of branching, yellow inflorescences. Most Mangave are monocarpic and produce only one bloom in their lifetime. They can, however, produce new offsets or "pups" that will live on after the mother plant dies.

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