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# Ornamental Nursery

*The Home of The Agave*

*St. James City, Florida*

*Beautify Your Home - Beautify Your Grounds*



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*Hylocereus Triangularis*

*Cacti Night Blooming Cereus*

The Ornamental Nursery takes pleasure in presenting to the public this latest pamphlet describing somewhat the plant or plants known as the AGAVE, as well as a few of the other odd plants it has to offer.

The Agave is a large botanical genus of the family Amaryllidaceae, chiefly Mexican, but occurring also in central and tropical America.



*Sanseveria Laurenti*

The Agave was introduced into the United States from Campeche, Mexico, by Dr. Henry Perine, in 1834. Plantings were made at Cocanut Grove and on Indian Key in southern Florida. There are several species of the Agave. Some of them are grown for both commercial and ornamental use, while others are grown for ornamental use only.



*Agave Sisilina*

*Agave Sisilina* grown extensively for the fiber it contains, as well as for ornamental use, has been greatly misrepresented by unscrupulous agents who would purchase these plants in quantities of from 50 to 200 and go from house to house throughout different states making the claim that these plants were from the valley of the Jordan, in Palestine. At times they would claim they were Lilies. Often they would rub scented oils on the plants, claiming that when the plant flowered, it would give off a similar perfume. These people would charge from \$1 to \$3 for these plants—just for a single plant

they paid from 10c to 25c each for — anyone can verify this statement by writing the State Plant Board of Florida.

We operate under a permit from the State Plant Board of the State of Florida—our nursery is regularly inspected by an inspector from the plant bureau. If we are caught misrepresenting a plant knowingly and shipping it out of the State, our permit is withdrawn. Our plant laws are strictly enforced—that is your guarantee.



*Agave Attenuate*

As we have stated, there are several species of the Agave—each of them make a beautiful ornamental plant. To obtain the collection of Agaves and Cacti we are offering, *that is if you could*, it would cost you from \$2 to \$6.

These plants do well in the house. You can pot them and keep them indoors during the winter months, transplanting them to your yard or garden in the spring if you wish.

We have hundreds of letters from satisfied customers who have purchased our plants. If you are not satisfied, just return the plants and your money will be refunded.



*Agave Decipens*



While we have a large stock of these plants, we reserve this right. Should we be out of any one specie of this collection offer we shall be allowed to substitute another plant of equal value. We do not anticipate a shortage.

*Here is the Offer*

Plant collection of 1 Agave Sisilina, 1 Agave Attenuate, 1 Agave Decipens, 1 Agave Fucroa, 1 Hylocereus Triangularis Cacti Night Blooming Cereus, 1 Nyctocereus Serpentinus Cacti Night Blooming Cereus, 1 Hylocereus Spaciousus Cacti, and if you desire, so state, we will include 1 Sanseveria Laurenti, making EIGHT PLANTS IN ALL—Prepaid to address for the small sum of \$1.25.



*Agave Fucroa*

If you do not desire the collection as a whole, but only one or more plants, send 25c for each plant ordered and we will give your desires our careful, immediate attention.

For your information the plant designated as Fucroa has not been fully identified. Dr. Trelease, who is the greatest authority on the Agave plant now has it under observation for identification. Until his findings have been made known we will designate this plant as the Fucroa.

We have been shipping these plants for 5 years and we are proud to state that we have never received a complaint. That is a record we are proud



*Nyctocereus Serpentinus*

of. Directions for the care of these plants are very simple. As we stated they will do well in or out of the house making a very desirable ornamental plant for persons living in cities where plants have to be kept indoors, if potted and kept indoors or on porch. Water well when planting out, then once a week. If planted outside part shade is best. Water well when planting, then nature will take care of plants. They will do well in most any kind of soil. If shortly after transplanting some of the outside leaves of the Agave plants wilt on the end do no worry; other leaves will make out from center of plant, then if the outside leaves do not come off take sharp knife and clip off close up to the body of plant. These plants do not live for a short time but will live for years; just keep them from freezing weather. If kept continually in the house from time to time, place close to window; this is not absolutely required, but is desired every six months.





*Hylocereus Spaciousus Cacti*

If you are a lover of odd plants you must not miss this collection, so send us \$1.25 and your order will have our most careful attention.



*Hylocereus Triangularis*

We have extra large Agave and Sanseveria plants, ideal for Hotels, Restaurants, Night Clubs, or any place where extra large plants would be desired.

*We will submit prices on request*



One Pint Florida Sea Shells prepaid, 25c.

THE ORNAMENTAL NURSERY,

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