

Agave attenuata

COMMON NAME	Fox Tail Agave
FAMILY	Agavacae
ORIGIN	Mexico (North America)
EVERGREEN	Yes
FLOWER COLOUR	Yellow green
BLOOMTIME	Infrequent
SYNONYMS	[A. cernua, A. glaucescens, Agave pruinosa]
HEIGHT	1 - 1.5 Metres
WIDTH	1.5 - 2.5 Metres
EXPOSURE	Sun or Shade
SEASIDE	Yes
IRRIGATION	Low Water Needs
WINTER HARDINESS	-4° C

INFORMATION SHEET



FURTHER READING:

This Agave presents to the gardener none of the dangers that its spine-covered relatives do. Massing up to 1.5 - 2 metres tall by about twice as wide, individual rosettes may reach 1.5 metres wide atop a stout curving smooth gray stem that rises up to 1.5 metres tall. The wide pale green pliable leaves emerge from a tight central spear to arch gracefully back, looking a bit like large open green flowers. Mature plants send up a 1.5 - 2.5 metre vertical flower stalk that reflexes back towards the ground before arching upward again, giving this plant the common name, the Fox-tail agave – it is also called Lion's Tail Agave and Swan's Neck Agave.

