Agave stricta

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Agave stricta (common names hedgehog agave, rabo de léon) is a species of flowering plant in the family Asparagaceae, native to South East Mexico. Growing to 50 cm (20 in) tall, it is an evergreen succulent with rosettes of narrow spiny leaves producing erect racemes, 2 m (7 ft) long, of reddish purple flowers in summer.^[1]

The Latin specific epithet *stricta* means erect, or upright. [2]

With a minimum temperature of 10 °C (50 °F), this plant requires heated indoor culture during winter in temperate regions, though it may be placed outside during the summer months. It has gained the Royal Horticultural Society's Award of Garden Merit.^[3]

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Scientific classification

Kingdom: Plantae

(unranked): Angiosperms

(unranked): Monocots

Order: Asparagales

Family: Asparagaceae

Subfamily: Agavoideae

Genus: Agave

Species: A. stricta

Binomial name

Agave stricta

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