

Cleistocactus strausii

(Silver Torch, Snow Pole, Wooly Torch)

Cleistocactus are erect columnar cacti with ribbed, eventually branched, cylindrical stems bearing dense spines and tubular flowers. The plant has spines or sharp edges; use extreme caution when handling. It Tolerates poor soil and is suitable for xeriscaping

It is quick and simple to grow in well-drained soil and a sunny area, it has multiple, grayish green stems, covered with fine yellowish spines mixed with abundant long white bristle



Plant Image

Landscape Information

Pronunciation: Kly-stoh-KAK-tus

Plant Type: Cactus / Succulent

Origin: Bolivia and Argentina

Heat Zones:

Hardiness Zones: 9, 10, 11

Uses: Mass Planting

Size/Shape

Tree Shape: Columnar, Upright

Height at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 m

Spread at Maturity: 0.5 to 1 meter

Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

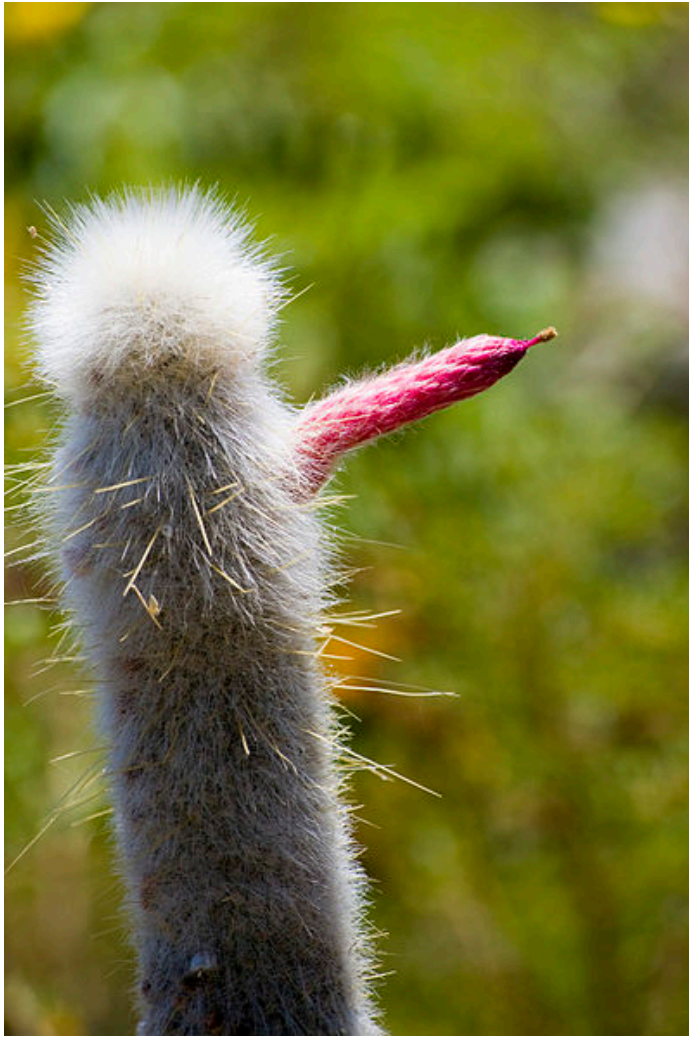
Leaf Persistence: Evergreen
Leaf Textures: Hairy
Leaf Scent:

Flower

Flower Showiness: True
Flower Size Range: 3 - 7
Flower Color: Red, Pink
Seasons: Spring, Summer, Winter

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Other Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Low

Light Requirements: Full

Management

Edible Parts:

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting
