

# YUCCA

(The Indian name for the Manihot, erroneously applied to this plant.)

*Liliaceae*

## 11. *Yucca filamentosa*

ENGLISH NAMES. Adam's needle, Adam's needle and thread, Thready yucca, Bear's thread, Thread and needle, Eve's darning needle, Bear's thread, Bear grass, Star grass.

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OPEN ROUGHLY

CREAMY-white flowers like Magnolia blossoms, borne pendently in long loose spikes on erect stems four to six feet high. Leaves evergreen in a clump at the base of the flower stalks, long and narrow, about one inch wide, very sharply pointed, stiff and erect in the centre, but recurving at the outside of the clump, grayish green with threadlike fibres along the edges. Excellent for formal clumps in the herbaceous border or for planting against a background of shrubbery.

A perfectly hardy perennial of easiest culture in any well-drained soil, in sun. Being a desert plant, it grows well in barren places, and thrives best in sandy loam.

Propagate by seed, offsets, or by stem cuttings.

