

Desert Scavenger Hunt

Explore the similarities and differences between cacti and succulents

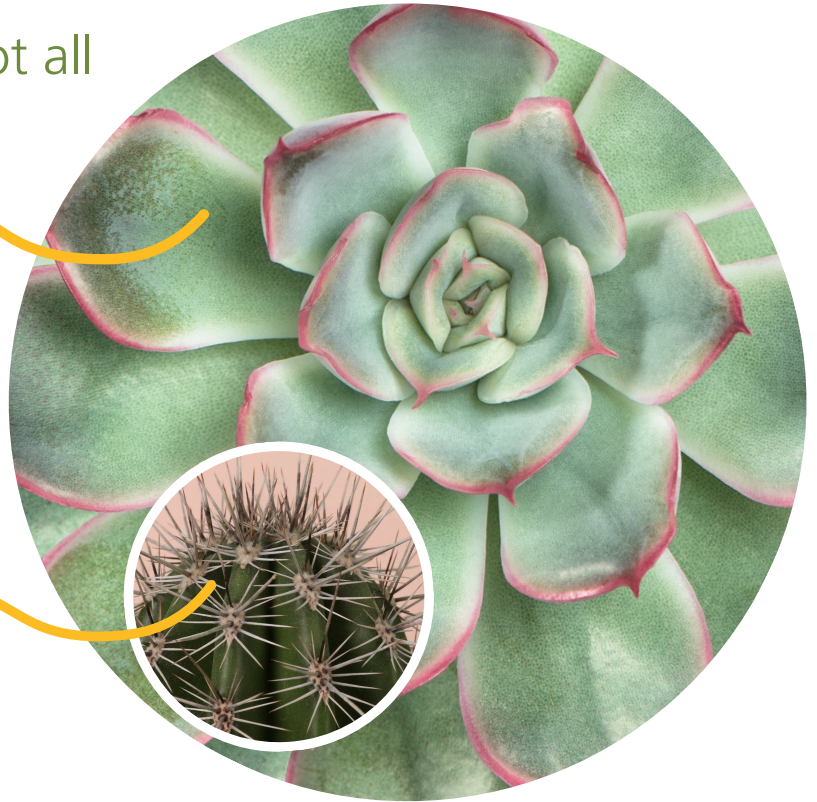
All cacti are succulents, but not all succulents are cacti.

Succulents:

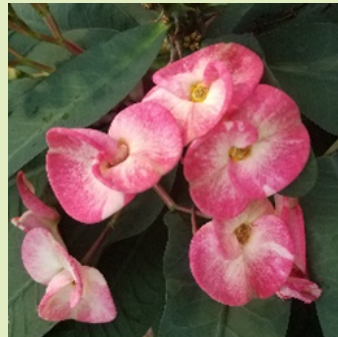
- Plants with thick fleshy parts adapted to store water.
- Grow in most parts of the world.
- Have many protective adaptations.
- May or may not have spines.
- No areoles.

Cacti:

- A type of succulent.
- Native only to the Americas.
- Members of the *Cactaceae* family.
- Found in extremely dry environments.
- Have areoles where spines grow.



Find each of these plants in the conservatory or Gardeners Show House and determine if it is a cactus or succulent!



Mid-Iowa Cactus and Succulent Society's **DISPLAY + SALE**

THIS WEEKEND ONLY!

Saturday - Sunday, August 3-4
9 am - 4 pm in Swartz & Walsh

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to explore these captivating treasures and take some home for your own collection!

Included with general admission.



DEATH BLOOM ALERT!

This *Agave ovatifolia* succulent is blooming. The flower spike will grow to be 10-14 feet tall with branched clusters of greenish-yellow flowers.

While fascinating and beautiful, death for this plant is imminent. Agave are monocarpic, meaning they flower and produce seeds only once, and then die.

Go find this incredible bloom in the desert garden!

