

# *Yucca filamentosa*



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## Adam's Needle, Beargrass

### Agavaceae

Also known as *Yucca smalliana*

### Plant Specifics

**Size:** 3-8 (12) ft tall by 3-4 ft wide

**Life Span:** Long-lived perennial

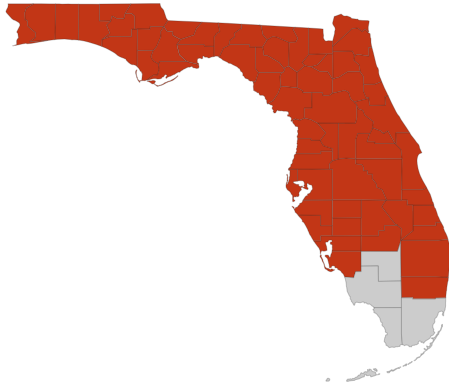
**Flower Color:** White

**Fruit Color:** Green

**Phenology:** Evergreen, blooms early summer. Life span less than 50 yrs. (Nelson 2003).

**Habitats:** Dry sites. Scrub, scrubby flatwoods.

### Natural Range in Florida



### USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:



### Landscaping

**Recommended Uses:** Specimen plant. Low hedge.

**Light:** ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade

**Moisture Tolerance:** Somewhat moist, no flooding ----- to ----- Very long very dry periods

**Salt Water Flooding Tolerance:** Tolerant of occasional/brief inundation such as can occur in storm surges.

**Salt Spray Tolerance:** Moderate. Tolerant of salty wind and may get some salt spray. Exposure to salt spray would be uncommon (major storms).

**Soil/Substrate:** Sand

### Wildlife



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Provides wildlife cover

Larval host plant for cofaqui giant skipper (*Megathymus cofaqui*) and yucca giant skipper (*Megathymus yuccae*) butterflies.

Pollinated by yucca moths.