

BRITTLE BUSH

One of the most common plants in the desert is the Brittle Bush. The Brittle Bush is a small round shrub that rapidly grows 2 to 5 feet high. It produces silver-gray leaves which grow 1 to 4 inches long and are covered by tiny hairs that insulates and traps moisture. This blanket of hairs also protects the shrub from extreme temperatures. A member of the sunflower family, it produces bright yellow flowers from it's woody branches during the months of March through June.

The Brittle Bush is very easy to maintain. Little to no water is ideal for survival, however some precipitation is required during prolonged dry periods. Full sun is recommended for reflecting the heat.

After the Brittle Bush blooms in June, trimming and removing flower heads should be removed to promote new growth.



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