

**COMMON NAME:**  
CHAIN FRUIT CHOLLA

**SCIENTIFIC NAME:**  
CYLINDROPUNTIA BIGELOVII

**ALSO CALLED:** OPUNTIA FULGIDA, OPUNTIA BIGELOVII, BOXING GLOVE CHOLLA, CHAIN CHOLLA, CHOLLA, AND JUMPING CHOLLA

**FLOWER COLOR:** PINK TO RED PURPLE

**FLOWER ARRANGEMENT:** ON THE END OF CHAINS OR OTHERWISE OFF THE ENDS OF BRANCHES

**FLOWERING TIME:** JULY-AUGUST

**NORMAL SIZE:** 6' TO 8'

**NORMAL ELEVATION:** LOW DESERTS

**HABITATION:** LARGE DESERT VALLEYS OR PLAINS

**ABUNDANCE:** QUITE COMMON

**NOTABLE DETAILS:** NORMAL CHOLLA LOOK WITH THE ADDITIONAL FEATURE OF HANGING CHAINS OF FRUIT.

**SPECIAL INTEREST:** THEY ARE TREE-LIKE WITH A SINGLE TRUNK BECAUSE OF THEIR OBVIOUS TALLNESS. THEY OFTEN FORM WHAT LOOKS LIKE FORESTS.