

COMMON NAME:
MEXICAN PALO VERDE

SCIENTIFIC NAME:
PARKINSONIA ACULEATA

ALSO CALLED: JERUSALEM-THORN, JELLYBEAN TREE, AND HORSE BEAN

FLOWER COLOR: YELLOW
FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: MANY FLOWERS ON MANY SPIKES AT THE END OF BRANCHES
FLOWERING TIME: MAY TO JUNE
LEAVES: LONG STREAMER LEAVES
NORMAL SIZE: 15' TO 30'
NORMAL ELEVATION: LOW DESERTS
HABITATION: DITCHES AND LOW AREAS
ABUNDANCE: COMMON

NOTABLE DETAILS: A TREE WITH MANY SHARP SPINES AND LONG SHOELACE-LIKE LEAVES WHICH ARE LIKE POM POM STREAMERS HANGING DOWN FROM THE BRANCHES WITH BRIGHT YELLOW FLOWERS

SPECIAL INTEREST: IT HAS LONG BEAN PODS AND LONG NARROW LEAVES WITH EXTREMELY SHARP NEEDLE THORNS.