

COMMON NAME:
YELLOW-SPINE THISTLE

SCIENTIFIC NAME:
CIRSIUM OCHROCENTRUM

ALSO CALLED: COCKERELL AND SANTA FE THISTLE

FLOWER COLOR: RED
FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: SEVERALLY AT ENDS OF BRANCHES
FLOWERING TIME: MAY TO AUGUST
LEAVES: SPIRALING AND COVERED WITH YELLOW SPINES
NORMAL SIZE: 3' TO 4'
NORMAL ELEVATION: 6000' TO 8000'
HABITATION: HIGH GRASSY CHAPARRALS
ABUNDANCE: RARE

NOTABLE DETAILS: SPINY BEYOND THE WORST THISTLES BUT NOTICEABLE FOR THE STRANGE SPIRAL LEAVES