

## Furkeria - Plant



Furcaria a small decorative outdoor plant.

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**Price**

399

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Description

### Description for Furkeria

Furcraea foetida is an evergreen perennial subshrub, stemless or with a short stem up to 1 m tall. The leaves are sword-shaped, 1 to 1.8 m long and 10 to 15 cm broad at their widest point, narrowing to 6 to 7 cm broad at the leaf base, and to a sharp spine tip at the apex; the margins are entire or with a few hooked spines. The flowers are greenish to creamy white, 4 cm long, and strongly scented; they are produced on a large inflorescence up to 7.5 m tall.

The plant is cultivated in subtropical and tropical regions for products and as an ornamental plant for gardens. Its leaves are used to produce a natural fiber similar to sisal.

Common name  
furcaria, Furcraea foetida  
(Giant Cabuya, Green-aloe)

Flower colours  
green

Bloom time  
june to july

Height  
8-10 feet

Difficulty  
easy to grow

or Mauritius-hemp)

## Planting and care

The Furcraia plant is sometimes used as ornamental pieces in gardens and as a source of natural fibers. The most popular among them is the Furcraea foetida: its long, sword-shaped, variegated leaves make it a distinctive and attractive ornamental piece. Furcraea also blooms with flowers ranging from creamy white to green with a powerful and pleasant scent. Though different species of Furcraea vary in size, it is a fairly manageable size for container cultivation. It generally remains only a few feet tall and a few feet wide.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full Sun to Partial Shade	well-drained soil	Medium	65-85F	Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Furkeria

Full sun is best, but Furcraia will do just fine in light shade as well. These are good plants for a south-facing exposure or unobstructed east- or west-facing window. Furcraia are drought resistant due to their large root system: watering them infrequently (though more so during their bloom in summer and spring) will be fine. Be careful not to overwater. As with most succulents, standing water can be lethal. Well-draining succulent mix is crucial too much water will kill these plants and they should never be in water-logged soil or allowed to stand in a tray with water. The pH should generally be slightly acidic. Furcraia will take either a controlled-release fertilizer at the beginning of the season or weekly fertilization with a weak liquid solution.

## Typical uses of Furkeria

**Special features:**

**Ornamental use:** The plant is used for ornamental purpose

## References

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