

Acanthocereus tetragonus  [简体中文](#)

System: Terrestrial

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Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Plantae	Magnoliophyta	Magnoliopsida	Caryophyllales	Cactacea

Common name

Synonym

Acanthocereus pentagonus, (L.) Britton & Rose
Acanthocereus floridanus, Small
Cactus pentagonus, L.
Cereus pentagonus, L.

Similar species

Summary

Acanthocereus tetragonus is native to South America and Central America and is the most popular and largest cactus of its kind, growing from 2 to 7m tall. This cactus can form impenetrable thickets threatening native plants.



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Principal source:

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[1] NEW CALEDONIA

[1] UNITED STATES

BIBLIOGRAPHY

4 references found for *Acanthocereus tetragonus*

Managment information

General information

[ITIS \(Integrated Taxonomic Information System\), 2008. Online Database *Acanthocereus tetragonus* \(L.\) Humm.](#)

Summary: An online database that provides taxonomic information, common names, synonyms and geographical jurisdiction of a species. In addition links are provided to retrieve biological records and collection information from the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF) Data Portal and bioscience articles from BioOne journals.

Available from: http://www.itis.gov/servlet/SingleRpt/SingleRpt?search_topic=TSN&search_value=181908 [Accessed 10 March 2008]

MacKee, H.S. 1994. Catalogue des plantes introduites et cultivées en Nouvelle-Calédonie, 2nd edn. MNHN, Paris.

Summary: Cet ouvrage liste 1412 taxons (espèces, sous espèces et variétés) introduits en Nouvelle-Calédonie. L'auteur précise dans la majorité des cas si l'espèce est cultivée ou naturalisée.

Meyer, Jean-Yves & Loope, Lloyd & Sheppard, A. & Munzinger, Jérôme & Jaffré, Tanguy. (2006). Les plantes envahissantes et potentiellement envahissantes dans l'archipel néo-calédonien : première évaluation et recommandations de gestion.

[PIER \(Pacific Island Ecosystems at Risk\), 2007. *Acanthocereus tetragonus*.](#)

Summary: Available from: http://www.hear.org/pier/species/acanthocereus_tetragonus.htm [Accessed 28 March 2008]