

Wiregrass



Size/Form	Wiregrass is a perennial bunch grass that grows in dense, spreading tufts, reaching heights of 1½' to 3'.
Leaves	The leaves are long, thin, wiry, or needle-like with tufts of fine, white fuzz around the leaf base. Margins are rolled inward.
Flowers	Wiregrass flowers are tiny and close to the flower stalk with 3 distinct hair-like awns protruding from each flower.
Fruit	The fruit is a tiny, yellowish grain (seed).
Habitat	Wiregrass grows prolifically in flatwoods and dry sandhills. It is a common understory cover in longleaf pine forests and on newly burned sites.

Young Longleaf Pine



Size/Form	It reaches a height of 30–35 m (98–115 ft) and a diameter of 0.7 m (28 in). Takes 100–150 years to become full size and may live to 500 years old
Leaves	The bark is thick, reddish-brown, and scaly. The leaves are dark green and needle-like, and occur in bundles of three.
Flowers	none
Fruit	None. Produces cones and pollen cones during the growing season.
Habitat	Found along the coastal plain in east Texas. Highly pyrophyte (resistant to fire)

Ball Moss



Size/Form	It tends to form a spheroid shape ranging in size from a golf ball to a soccer ball. They attach themselves to limbs, tree trunks, power lines & fences with pseudo-roots that do not require soil or absorb water and/or minerals commonly found in southwest Texas.
Leaves	cylindrical leaves and usually with long, stiff, hair-like projections all around it that help the leaves to absorb water when they are wet
Flowers	incredibly small with a single purple petal
Fruit	Green to brown capsule with hairy, wind dispersed seeds
Habitat	It grows in areas with low light, little airflow, and high humidity, which is commonly provided by southern shade trees and are able to survive the arid, hot central Texas summers.

Prickly Pear Cactus



Size/Form	under a foot high to 7 ft tall
Leaves	flattened oblong or rounded stems with spines, these might be lengthy or thick in form or short or good fit. Their dimension differs from 2-6 inches
Flowers	yellow, red or purple flowers
Fruit	Fruit size, shape, and color (white, green, purple) vary from small and round like a walnut to three inches long and two inches wide like a rounded cylinder.
Habitat	Found in all of the deserts of the American Southwest, with different species having adapted to different locale and elevation ranges.

Sand Live Oak



Size/Form	reaches heights of 50 feet, but has been documented as reaching heights as tall as 95 feet. The bark is rough to the touch & dark brown and can resist summer droughts, high temperatures & high soil moisture. Root systems are wide-spreading and shallow
Leaves	thick, leathery leaves that range from 1½ -2½ inches long
Flowers	Small brown petals
Fruit	Acorns range from $\frac{5}{8}$ to 1 inch long with $\frac{1}{3}$ of the dark brown, egg-shaped nut enclosed in a scaly, whitish gray cup
Habitat	it grows in sandy, scrub habitats of coastal dunes, hardwood forests, mixed pine uplands, scrub, and sandhills of Southeastern and South central United States. Is highly resistant to wind

Saw Palmetto



Size/Form	tree or shrub that can reach heights of 10 feet in warm climates, sand ridges, flatwood forests, coastal dunes, and islands near marshes of the southeastern U.S.
Leaves	Spiral around the stem. Circular in outline and are usually 2'- 3' across. Divided in many dagger-shaped parts. Stems are about 2'-3' long & sharply saw-toothed.
Flowers	white flowers
Fruit	yellow berries that turn brownish black when ripe
Habitat	found on sites ranging from seaside sand dunes and dry scrub to pinelands, hammocks, moist forests, and wetlands.