

Botanical Name: Asparagus densiflorus 'Sprengeri'

Common Name: Sprenger asparagus

Type of Plant: monocot; perennial Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape a loosely constructed plant; slender stems arching or
trailing outwards to form an open mounded habit; roots develop small fleshy
tubers; older stems develop small prickles

Height 2' - 3' Spread 4' - 8' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure in/outdoors needs bright light indoors, full or partial sun outdoors

Soil tolerates most; prefers well-draining loam

Hardiness hardy (zones 12-24); thrives in mild coastal locations

Morphology:

Leaves 'cladodes' (modified stems) are light green, linear,
3-8 together, whorled on the stem; cladodes 1/2" - 1" long, shiny

Flowers pinkish-white, in loose racemes 1"-3" long; flowers tiny;
summer

Fruit berry; red, 1/4" diameter

Propagation: seed, division

Usage: a low filler (or large-area ground cover), valued for its
billowy form and light green, fine-textured foliage; good for banks or raised
planters

Landscape Care:

Watering regular preferred; can tolerate short periods of drought

Fertilizing balanced in spring, plus iron

Pruning selectively remove oldest stems as needed; avoid shearing

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions thorny, seedy and invasive

Origin: South Africa Family: Liliaceae