

# *Yucca whipplei* (now *Hesperoyucca whipplei*) Our Lord's Candle, Chaparral Candle

## SUCCULENT

Dense basal rosette to 3' high,  
3' wide.

Flower stalk 6 - 14' tall.

Bluish gray-green, sword-like  
leaves.

Flowers cream with purple  
edges, fragrant and edible  
- May to June.



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Native habitat: coastal sage  
scrub, chaparral - dry, of-  
ten stony slopes, 1000' to  
4000' - San Jacinto and  
Santa Ana Mountains south  
to northern Baja California.

Full sun to part shade.

Frost resistant.

No summer water.

Good accent plant. Bold form.

Grows fast if watered.

Plant on tilt so water will run out of  
rosette.

Whole plant dies after fruiting, but  
new plants come from seeds or  
offsets.

