



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Chocolate Flower

Berlandiera lyrata

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RECOMMENDED USE: Plant in the transition zone of a landscape, with other moderate water use plants. Good for rock gardens, ground cover, or patio container.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: At least to 15°F.



Sun tolerance: Full sun to very light shade.



Watering and feeding: Low water use in the spring and fall; moderate in the summer. No fertilization is necessary in most soils.



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