

*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.



[view this species on IUCN Red List](#)

## Principal source:

**Compiler:** Comité français de l'IUCN (IUCN French Committee) & IUCN SSC Invasive Species Specialist Group (ISSG)

## Review:

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## ALIEN RANGE

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

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**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.

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**Summary:** Available from: [http://www.hear.org/pier/species/acanthocereus\\_tetragonus.htm](http://www.hear.org/pier/species/acanthocereus_tetragonus.htm) [Accessed 28 March 2008]