



## ***Cercidium floridum***

### **Palo Verde Tree**

Sun

Moderate to little water

The Palo Verde tree is an excellent medium size tree for hot climates. The name Palo Verde means green stick in Spanish referring to the quick loss of leaves during much of the year. The sculptural yellow green branches make up for the loss of leaves. As a desert plant this tree produces tiny leaves and a fantastic show of fragrant yellow flowers in spring. With some summer watering it may produce more leaves and flowers. It is a fast growing tree reaching up to 30 feet high and wide. Prune it up while young if it is over a patio or walkway. Desert Museum is a hybrid of *Cercidium* and *Parkinsonia*. It combines the best traits of both plants. It is spineless and produces more leaves and flowers during the summer months.