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*Euphorbia lactea*

**MOLE PLANT** is a succulent cactus-like shrub. It is native to India.

It is also known as Candelabra cactus, Dragon bones, False cactus, Hat-rack cactus, Milkstripe euphorbia, and Mottled spurge.

Warning – mole plant's sap is potentially poisonous and could have similar effects to those of caper spurge (*Euphorbia lathyris*). The sap is an irritant and can cause dermatitis.

*Lactea* is derived from Latin *lacti-* (milk) meaning 'milky-white' with reference to the sap.