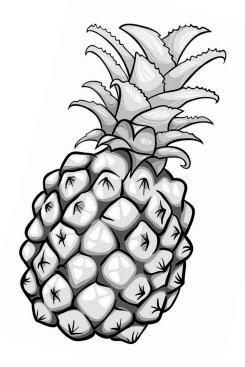
## Growing Pineapples in Phoenix





- Cut off the green top of a whole Pineapple fruit, remove all of the fruit from it, as well as the lower leaves. Then allow it to dry for about 24-48 hours.
- Set into a cup or mason jar, fill the jar with water so as to just cover the cut part of the Pineapple, & then set that in a lightly sunny window.
- Change the water after a week, & remove it after the plant has 4 inch long roots (usually takes 2-3 weeks).
- 4. Transplant into carbon-rich, fast draining soil, ideally in a site with shade during the afternoon in Summer, & full sun in Winter.
- 5. They absorb water very well through their leaves, so when watering, do not water the soil directly. Instead pour water onto the top of the Pineapple plant. Avoid watering it more than weekly in Summer, or more than monthly in Winter.
- Offsets (called pups) should emerge starting within the first year & should be removed, rooted out, & transplanted similarly.
- 7. Pineapple fruit should emerge in the second year, & should ripen around May/June. Apply at half rate Cactus Juice (1-7-6) to the plant while it is starting to produce the Pineapple fruit.

  Only apply a fertilizer once per year.
- 8. Harvest the Pineapple when all of the flowers on the fruit have dried to brown & the outside of the fruit turns yellow.

