

**SPECIMEN AUCTION,
SHOW QUALITY CACTI
FROM THE
Caro Desert Collection
*Saturday October 11, 2008***

Rene and Patty Caro who have been collecting cacti and succulents for the past 15 years have decided to sell off their specimen plants. They were originally residents of Glendale, CA, and after many years decided to move to the Antelope Valley, CA, and for the past three years have lived in Durango, Colorado. During their time in the AV and Durango, they have grown some of the most perfect and beautiful cacti to be seen anywhere. Due to the very cold conditions and the cost of heating two greenhouses in Durango, they have decided that with most of their plants being very large, that they would sell off the big ones to make space for smaller ones. Their area of interest is primarily cacti and Rene has made a special effort of collecting *Ariocarpus*, *Astrophytums*, *Copiapoas*, *Gymnocalyciums*, *Turbiniacarpus*, *Sulcorebutias*, *Aztekiums*, *Mammillarias*, *Strombocactus*, and many other genera, mostly the rare and unique collector type plants.

The great majority of the plants that will be available were grown from small seedlings and are now large, show quality, perfect specimens. Rene's sources were many of the well know growers such as; *Vince Basta*, *Larry Grammer*, *Dick Hulett*, *Woody Minnich*, *Gene Joseph*, *Victor Turicek*, *Tom Glavich*, *Miles Anderson*, *Peter Sharp*, *Ann Shein*, *Steve Southwell* and *Steve Brack*. Rene and Patty are not into showing plants and yet are often present at the Inter-City CSS and the San Gabriel Winter Show as helpers and observers and thus they know how to grow show quality material. Almost all their specimen plants have been grown in plastic or terracotta pots in a strong light condition at 7,000 ft. elevation. Most of these plants are just waiting for you to stage them and most of them will be show winners.

This auction will be conducted by Woody Minnich of Cactus Data Plants at the home of fellow collectors Dave and Khobe DeLucca at 5344 Greenmeadows Rd. Long Beach, CA. Their home is very near the northeast corner of Carson and Bellflower. From the 91 Fwy south on Bellflower to Carson and from the 605 Fwy west on Carson to Bellflower. The auction will presented in a similar manner to the

Sobel, Wakamatsu, Hulett, Pickoff, Johnson and Grammer auctions. E-mail, web-site, phone-in and in-person bidding will be accepted. Woody will represent electronic and phone-in bidders unable to attend the physical auction. All plants will be listed and pictured on the web-site and the description list will also accompany this flyer. Lists may also be requested via e-mail or phone and they will be sent electronically to your e-mail address

Viewing, and the written bidding will start at **9:30am** and the verbal auction will begin at **11:00 am on Saturday the 11th**. **Electronic bids** will be accepted until **8:00pm Oct. 8, 2008** Those persons wishing to place phone, e-mail or web-site bids should use the following procedure: Indicate your **starting bid** (equal to or greater than minimum), the **increment of bid(s)** and your final **maximum bid**. *Example; Plant X has a minimum of \$50.00, your minimum bid must be equal to or greater than \$50.00. You start with a minimum of ? \$65.00 and you are willing to go as high as ? \$100.00. Your increment bids are ? \$5.00 each and will be applied until you win the bid or another bidder exceeds your maximum of \$100.00.* CDP (Woody) will confidentially represent each electronic bidder and will only inform bidder, with a request following their original electronic bid, if they have been exceeded by other previous e-mail, phone or web-site bidders. Each top electronic bidder will then be confidentially represented at the final verbal physical auction with their increment of bid not to exceed their maximum. Those persons with e-mail, phone or web-site bids that are the final winners of the verbal portion, will be notified following the auction as to which plants they have won. At this time, the winning bidder may make arrangements to pick-up their plants or have CDP mail them. Shipping and handling and postage is estimated at 30% for surface (USA) and 40% for airmail (USA). All payments are to be made to CDP or Rene Caro with cash, check or credit card. Rene and Patty Caro and Cactus Data Plants (Woody) offer no guarantees or refunds, sales are final. All material will be mailed within two weeks of the conclusion of the auction.

The auction list that follows will give each plant with its identification number and description. When placing electronic or phone bids, please refer to each plant by its I.D. number and please check all the details of the description to be sure you are getting what you want. For **phone bids**, please call and list your selections with CDP at **1-505-281-5884**. For **e-mail bids** please e-mail with all criteria to cactusdata@msn.com . For **web-site bids** please go to CaroDesert.com

Description Information

MB - minimum bid **DIA** - diameter **HI** - height **X** - Previous owner

1. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** 6” DIA perfect show plant, lots of wool x CDP MB \$60.
2. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** 3 heads each 4-5” DIA 12” across exquisite show plant super clean x CDP MB \$100.
3. **Ariocarpus retusus** 7” DIA very clean special clone with linear wooly axil x Miles A. MB \$75.
4. **Ariocarpus retusus f. furfuraceus** 6” DIA fat form, perfect, ready for the show x CDP MB \$75.
5. **Ariocarpus retusus** long tubercle form 7” DIA perfect x J. Clements MB \$100.
6. **Thelocactus bicolor v. bolansis** nice 6 head cluster 10” HI with fat stems and beautiful spines x CDP MB \$25.
7. **Echinocactus rapa** beautiful main head 5” DIA with 3 large pups 2” DIA each, perfect and wooly MB \$50.
8. **Astrophytum capricorne v. niveum** 6” tall fat body with beautiful spines, ready for show x CDP MB \$35.
9. **Ariocarpus scaphirostris** 4-5” DIA giant, perfect show specimen x Sobel MB \$125.
10. **Astrophytum coahuilensis** 5” DIA 5” HI fat, perfect, snow white x Miles A. MB \$35.
11. **Thelocactus lauseri** 6+” HI perfect with beautiful multicolored spines x CDP MB \$20.
12. **Ariocarpus trigonus** with short tubercles 6+” DIA stunning and perfect x V. Basta MB \$100.
13. **Copiapoa tenuissima monstrosus** 8 major heads with numerous smaller heads, overflows a 6” DIA pot, super wooly MB \$35.
14. **Copiapoa haseltoniana** 7” HI pupping very clean with great spines, ready for show x CDP MB \$100.
15. **Thelocactus lloydii** 5 head cluster 8” across, perfect show plant x Hulett MB \$35.
16. **Copiapoa cinerea** 5” HI 4+” DIA perfect ash grey with heavy black spines, ready for show x Cal Cactus MB \$50.
17. **Copiapoa tigrillensis** 5’ DIA perfect plant with dense beautiful gold Spines, starting to pup x Cal Cactus MB \$30.

18. **Astrophytum capricorne v. senilis** 6" HI fat with beautiful curly golden brown spines, very clean MB \$35.
19. **Copiapoa calderana** 8" HI gold brown spines, very clean x A. Shein MB \$25
20. **Ariocarpus fissuratus v. lloydii** 5" DIA super wooly smooth form, grafted low x V. Basta MB \$75
21. **Ariocarpus retusus** 6" DIA perfect low flat wooly form, show ready x G. Joseph MB \$50.
22. **Ariocarpus retusus f. furfuraceus** 5" DIA fat tubercle form, lots of wool x Miles A. MB \$30.
23. **Thelocactus rinconensis** 6" DIA great spines, grey body, perfect show plant x CDP MB \$30.
24. **Astrophytum "Lotus Land"** large main head, lots of pups, grafted, very clean MB \$20.
25. **Astrophytum capricorne v. niveum** 9" HI 5" DIA nice plant with very small scaring at base x CDP MB \$50.
26. **Gymnocalycium vatteri** 4-5" DIA perfect with beautiful spines in 4" square pot - now round x Miles A. MB \$20.
27. **Copiapoa cinerea** 2 heads 5' across, excellent clean plant with great show potential x CDP MB \$40.
28. **Ariocarpus kotschoubeyanus x fissuratus** ? 10 heads all large, fabulous plant, grafted low x Miles A. MB \$150.
29. **Thelocactus macdowellii** 6" across 6 heads with many pups, very clean x E. Roberts MB \$15.
30. **Ariocarpus retusus x fissuratus** 5" DIA perfect, unusual, fabulous clone with wonderful lines on tubercles x Miles A. MB \$65.
31. **Ariocarpus retusus f. furfuraceus** 2 large heads 10" across perfect show plant x CDP MB \$125.
32. **Ariocarpus fissuratus v. lloydii** 5" HI 5" DIA very clean, grafted low MB \$65.
33. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** 6" DIA very beautifully grown show plant x CDP MB \$65.
34. **Copiapoa calderana** 2 heads 5" HI 5" DIA clean with nice gold spines X A. Shein MB \$30.
35. **Copiapoa haseltoniana** 12" across with 6 big heads around old head in middle, with great potential x L. Gold MB \$125.
36. **Euphorbia gymnocalycioides** 3" DIA perfect flowering plant rare in cultivation, ready for show x M. Masera MB \$50.
37. **Aztekium hintonii** cluster of 3 main heads, 4" across on low graft rare x Miles A. MB \$45.

38. **Ariocarpus retusus** 8" DIA giant, perfect, super wooly show plant x CDP MB \$150.
39. **Gymnocalycium striegelianum** 5 DIA very clean with beautiful black spines on fat deep green body x T. Glavich MB \$20.
40. **Neochilenia esmeraldiana** 6" across cluster 25+ heads super clean with dark brown skin, perfect x CDP MB \$50.
41. **Aztekium ritteri** 8 heads 3" DIA cluster very, very nice on own roots, perfect and very rare x CDP MB \$125.
42. **Turbincarpus schmiedickianus** 2" x 2" perfect plant, super spine form clone x CDP MB \$10.
43. **Mammillaria duwei** 7" cluster overflows a 6" pot, perfect, ready for show x T. Glavich MB \$20.
44. **Gymnocalycium saglionis** 12" DIA perfect giant 10" HI ready for a show pot MB \$25.
45. **Turbincarpus lauseri** 8 heads 5" DIA perfect plant ready for show x CDP MB \$25.
46. **Matucana haynei** 10" HI fat plant with beautiful white spines, a little scaring MB \$25.
47. **Ariocarpus retusus f. furfuraceus** 6" DIA super fat form with nice wrinkle lines on tubercles x CDP MB \$50.
48. **Ferocactus alamosanus** 12" DIA very, very clean with super beautiful spines MB \$75.
49. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** giant perfect 6+" DIA 5" HI show plant x CDP MB \$80.
50. **Opuntia (tunilla) longispina v. brevispina** big clean cluster overflowing a 6" pot, show plant x V. Turicek MB \$30.
51. **Leuchtenbergia principis** 8" HI 8" DIA very clean, flowering size x CDP MB \$15.
52. **Ferocactus glaucesens nuda** 5" DIA beautiful blue grey body with no spines, very clean MB \$20.
53. **Astrophytum capricorne v minor** 6" HI with wonderful long curly spines perfect x CDP MB \$20.
54. **Copiapoa cinerea** cluster 10" DIA giant cultivated plant with 34+ heads on major head 12" HI, beautiful grey x G. Mullens MB \$200.
55. **Astrophytum myriostigma** quadrocostata four ribs 4" DIA 4" HI very clean x J. Menzel MB \$15.
56. **Mammillaria eichlambii** 8" DIA with 40+ heads, beautiful gold wool, show plant x CDP MB \$45.
57. **Astrophytum coahuilensis** 12" HI perfect fat body, show plant x S. Plath seed x CDP MB \$65.

58. **Echinofossulocactus caespitosus** 12" DIA cluster of 9 heads, perfect plant with great spines, ready for show x CDP MB \$45.
59. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** large cluster, 7 heads 10" across, show plant, ancient x Lazlow x Miles A. MB \$200.
60. **Ariocarpus fissuratus v. lloydii** giant 7" DIA 6" HI perfect wooly show plant x CDP MB \$175.
61. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** 5" DIA very clean with very neat markings, possible cross x Miles A. MB \$40.
62. **Ariocarpus fissuratus** 8" across 6 head cluster, perfect, very showy x CDP MB \$ 150.
63. **Turbincarpus polaskii** 7" across cluster of 12+ heads perfect, low flat and wooly x CDP MB \$35.
64. **Eriosyce ihotskiana** 8" HI 8" DIA perfect, show plant with super black spines x CDP MB \$65.
65. **Geohintonia mexicana** 3+" DIA very, very clean show plant, seldom available x D. Hulett MB \$65.
66. **Thelocactus rinconensis - lophothele** 7" DIA perfect plant with very long, tan spines x Miles A. MB \$45.
67. **Echinofossulocactus longispinus** 5" HI fabulous 3" heavy spines, beautiful show plant MB \$15.
68. **Echinofossulocactus caespitosus** 10" across, overflowing a 8" pot, 16+ heads, wonderful orange, red and tan spines x CDP MB \$45
69. **Echinofossulocactus caespitosus** 5" DIA perfect low fat single with great spines x E. Roberts MB \$15.
70. **Discocactus sp. Aff. placentiformis** 5" DIA beautiful black spines with nice cephalium MB \$25.
71. **Parodia pennicillata** 8" cluster 7 heads long gold spines very clean x CDP MB \$25.
72. **Melocactus azureus - warassii** 10" HI 6" DIA with new cephalium, perfect blue body MB \$50.
73. **Copiapoa magnifica** 10" HI two heads, very clean and uncommon x CDP MB \$65.
74. **Copiapoa minuta - echinata** 6" HI nice body, pupping, very heavy spines x A. Shein MB \$35.
75. **Copiapoa columna alba** 3"-4" DIA 4" HI perfect grey body and very rare x D. Hannon MB \$50.
76. **Astrophytum asterias** 3" DIA 3" HI very clean, in light blue Rita oval pot 8"x6" x CDP MB \$30.
77. **Ariocarpus retusus variegated** possible x trigonus 3" DIA with wonderful red, yellow and tan markings rare x Miles A. MB \$100.

78. **Ariocarpus confusus** 6" DIA perfect with long sharp pointed tubercles on low graft very rare x CDP MB \$125
79. **Ariocarpus hintonii** nice cluster, 5 heads, very clean, on low graft x Miles A. MB \$75.
80. **Ariocarpus scaphirostris** 3" DIA very clean, beautifully grown on low graft x Miles A. MB \$65.81.
81. **Ariocarpus kotschoubeyanus** cluster of 20+ heads on low graft very, very clean MB \$150.
82. **Copiapoa krainziana** 5" cluster of 10+ heads on low graft perfect x CDP MB \$25.
83. **Copiapoa gigantea** 5" HI 4" DIA very clean with a little scaring on lower side MB \$25.
84. **Strombocactus discoformis** 6" across, 6 large heads, very clean, on low graft x E. Roberts MB \$125.
85. **Ferocactus chrysacanthus** 6" DIA perfect plant with good yellow spine color MB \$25.
86. **Neoporteria nidus - gerocephala** 5" HI great spines good show plant x J. Hanna MB \$10.
87. **Echinocactus rapa jourdaniana** 3" across 10+ heads very clean and seldom seen MB \$30.
88. **Sulcorebutia rauschii** green form 6" across, 20+ heads, very clean low flat plant x CDP MB \$35.
89. **Rebutia fibrigii** 10" cluster with many heads, very clean and ready for the show MB \$35.
90. **Rebutia steinmannii v. cincinnati** 8" cluster, perfect, with many white spined heads x P. Sharp MB \$30.
91. **Tephrocactus bonniae** 5" cluster with many heads, perfect on low graft MB \$25.
92. **Turbiniacarpus alonsoae** 2" DIA very clean, low fat, perfect plant, uncommon x CDP MB \$15.
93. **Gymnocalycium monvillei** 6" DIA perfect plant with beautiful long gold spines MB \$25.
94. **Rebutia heliosa v. cajasensis** 4" cluster, very tight and very rare x P. Sharp MB \$20.
95. **Ariocarpus retusus f. furfuraceus** 7" DIA very low, fat, perfect plant with heavy wrinkles x CDP MB \$125.
96. **Turbiniacarpus schmiedickianus v. gracilis** 3" HI, fat, perfect plant with heavy spines x CDP MB \$25.
97. **Gymnocalycium accoragatum** 6" DIA very clean, great spines, ready for show MB \$20.

98. **Oroya borchersii** 5" DIA beautiful long golden spines, very clean x CDP MB \$15.
99. **Uebelmannia pectinifera v. flavispina** 5" HI, perfect, grafted low x CDP MB \$20.
100. **Echinofossulocactus multicosatus** 5" DIA perfect plant ready for Show, low fat, large for species x CDP MB \$25.

Be prepared for the **second auction of 100 plants** from the Caro collection which will be held in the Spring of 2009. This auction will be held in southern California in a similar manner as the first but the exact time and place will be made available after the first of the year 2009. This second auction will have the same quality plants as the first and you will not want to miss this opportunity to acquire more of these incredible, perfectly grown show quality cacti. In the second auction there will be at least 10 more *Astrophytums*, 30 more *Ariocarpus*, 15 more *Copiapoas*, and numerous other genera including; *Aztekium*, *Sulcorebutias*, *Rebutias*, *Geohintonias*, *Thelocactus*, *Gymnocactus*, *Turbinicarpus*, *Gymnocalycium*, *Strombocactus*, *Encephalocarpus*, *Neoporterias*, *Neochilenias*, *Ferocactus*, *Lobivias*, *Echinofossulocactus* and *etc. etc. etc...*

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