

cactus
 ['kæktəs] *n* (pl *mж. -ti*) *бom.*
 кактус (*Opuntia gen.*)

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cac·tus [cactus cacti cactuses] *BrE* ['kæktəs] *AmE* ['kæktəs] *noun*
 (pl. **cac·tuses** or **cacti** *BrE* ['kæktai] *AmE* ['kæktai])



a plant that grows in hot dry regions, especially one with thick stems covered in spines but without leaves. There are many different types of **cactus**.

Word Origin:

early 17th cent.: from Latin, from Greek **kaktos** 'cardoon' (a tall plant with leaves and roots that can be eaten as a vegetable).

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cac·tus /'kæktəs/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun* (plural **cacti** /-tai/ or **cactuses**) [countable]
 [Date: 1700-1800; Language: Latin; Origin: thistle-like plant, from Greek kaktos]



a desert plant with sharp points instead of leaves

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