



Triangle Palm

Dypsis decaryi

Height: 20 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 10a

Other Names: syn. Neodypsis decaryi

Description:

A small to medium sized, single trunked palm, featuring a three-ranked crown of keeled, upright, gray to blue-green leaves that arch at the tips; an elegant addition to the landscape; clusters of pale yellow flowers in spring, followed by white fruit

Planting & Growing

Triangle Palm will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 6 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 200 years or more; think of this as a heritage tropical plant for future generations!

This tropical plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America..



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Triangle Palm is a fine choice for the yard, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.



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