Chamaedorea elegans

(Parlor Palm, Neanthebella)

Parlor palm is a small indoor palm native to the rainforest regions of Guatemala and Mexico .The stem can reach 1.5 m tall. It has a dark pinnately compound leaf. In the warmth of late spring, tiny yellow flowers are borne on a branched stem that reach just beyond the fronds followed by a red, black berries. Grows best in partial shade or shade. Could be planted out in warm region. The plant cannot stand drought or salt. Provide it with well-drained, humus-rich soil that is not highly alkaline. Under low humidity the top of the leaves will get yellow. The whole plant contains calcium oxalate crystals and there may be health concerns with the ingestion or handling them. Used indoor as a specimen, and in container plantation.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Chamédorée, Palmier nain dorée Pronounciation: kam-ee-DOR-ee-uh EL-uhganz Plant Type: Palm Origin: Mexico, Central America Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 Hardiness Zones: 10, 11, 12, 13 Uses: Specimen, Indoor, Container Size/Shape Growth Rate: Slow Tree Shape: Upright Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Open Canopy Texture: Medium Height at Maturity: 3 to 5 m Spread at Maturity: 3 to 5 meters Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

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Leaf Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate Leaf Venation: Parallel Leaf Persistance: Evergreen Leaf Type: Even Pinnately compound Leaf Blade: 50 - 80 Leaf Shape: Lanceolate Leaf Margins: Entire Leaf Textures: Glossy Leaf Scent: No Fragance Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: False Flower Size Range: 7 - 10 Flower Type: Spadix Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual) Flower Scent: No Fragance Flower Color: Yellow Seasons: Fall

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected to breakage Number of Trunks: Single Trunk Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy, Colored Fruit Fruit Type: Drupe Fruit Showiness: False Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Black

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Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: No Heat Tolerant: Yes Drought Tolerant: Yes Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral Water Requirements: High, Moderate Light Requirements: Part, Shade

Management

Toxity: Yes Pruning Requirement: No pruning at all Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No Surface Rooting: No Life Span: Less than 25 Edible Parts: Pests: Whitefly, Aphids Plant Propagations: Seed

Fruit Image

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