Typha angustifolia

(Lesser Bulrush, Nail Rod, Narrowleaf Cattail)

Nail Rod is a deciduous, herbacious perennial that grows in ample water. It has green long linear leaves, and brown fruit, and its flowers are on spikes. This plant is very aggressive qand invasive.

To be grown in loam, or sand, poorly drained soil, in partial sun. Highly tolerant of brackish (salty) water.

Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Massette à feuilles étroites

Arabic Name: البوط

Pronounciation: TY-fuh an-gus-tee-FOH-lee-uh

Plant Type: Groundcover

Origin: North America

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16

Hardiness Zones: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

Uses: Wildlife, Cut Flowers / Arrangements

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Fast

Tree Shape:

Canopy Texture: Coarse

Height at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 m

Spread at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 meters, 3 to 5 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite
Leaf Venation: Parallel
Leaf Persistance: Deciduous
Leaf Type: Simple
Leaf Blade: Over 80 cm
Leaf Shape: Linear
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Glossy
Leaf Scent: No Fragance
Color(growing season): Green
Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True
Flower Size Range: 10 - 20
Flower Type: Spike
Flower Scent: No Fragance
Flower Color: Green, Yellow

Fruit

Fruit Showiness: True
Fruit Size Range: 7 - 10, 10 - 20
Fruit Colors: Brown

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Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Good

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: High

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Invasive Potential: Yes

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Little needed, to develop a strong structure

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed, Division

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