



<b>SPECIES</b>	Caryota mitis
<b>COMMON NAME</b>	Fishtail palms
<b>ORIGIN</b>	Southeast Asia
<b>DESIGN USE</b>	Shrub borders and indoor container plantings



#### HEIGHT

8m

#### SPREAD

4m

#### HABIT

Form multi-stemmed clumps

#### FORM

Each slender stem is topped with several bipinnate leaves that can reach 9 ft (3 m) in length. The light green leaflets are shaped like a fish's tail fin, hence its common name

#### FLOWERS

Cream flower stalks.



#### FLOWERING PERIOD

Mature plants first begin flowering at the top of the stem. Subsequent flowering proceeds lower and lower down the stem. After the last flowering, the stem dies and should be removed. The clump will survive, however, and continue to produce more stems.

#### FRUIT

Dull red to black and round

#### CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Fishtail palm thrives full sun to part shade, and even in shade . It will tolerate light frosts, but is not hardy.

#### HORTICULTURE

This palm needs adequate moisture, but with good drainage



#### REFERENCES

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