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**SPECIES**

*Cordyline terminalis* 'Rubra'

**COMMON NAME**

Palm Lily

**ORIGIN**

The range of natural distribution is from Lismore to near Bundaberg, Queensland.

**DESIGN USE**

Evergreen Shrub



**HEIGHT**

It grows to around 4m.

**SPREAD**

**HABIT**

It is a resilient plant and can tolerate neglect. Occasionally hybridizes with *Cordyline petiolaris* in the wild.



**FORM**

*Cordyline rubra* is mainly identified by the leaf stems, which grow from 5 to 20 cm (2–8 in) long. They are flat or somewhat concave in shape. The leaves 15 to 50 cm (6–20 in) long, and 3 to 5.5 cm (1.4–2.2 in) wide, narrow elliptic in shape.

**FLOWERS**

Flowers being lilac in colour.



**FLOWERING PERIOD**

It occurs at summer.

**FRUIT**

The fruit is a bright red berry, 10 mm (0.4 in) in diameter. They grow on panicles 10 to 40 cm (4–16 in) long.

**CLIMATIC TOLERANCES**

It is well suited to gardens with moist soils and semi shade. Also suited as an indoor pot plant. Found in warm rainforest and moist eucalyptus forest.



**HORTICULTURE**

This species propagates easily from seeds or stem cuttings.

**REFERENCES**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cordyline\\_rubra](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cordyline_rubra)