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<b>SPECIES</b>	<i>Crinum pedunculatum</i>
<b>COMMON NAME</b>	Swamp Lily, River Lily, Mangrove Lily or Spider Lily
<b>ORIGIN</b>	East coast of Queensland and New South Wales, Australia
<b>DESIGN USE</b>	Street planting and feature plant in a large garden



#### HEIGHT

2–3m

#### SPREAD

3m

#### HABIT

It is a very large bulbous perennial plant.

#### FORM

The leaves are strappy and up to 2m long by 15cm wide and thickened, with blunt points.

#### FLOWERS

The flowers are white and about 10cm across in clusters of 10-25. They are pleasantly perfumed. They are followed by rounded, beaked seed capsules 2 to 5cm across.



#### FLOWERING PERIOD

November to March

#### CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

It can be grown in a wide range of conditions from full sun to half shade or more. It is suitable for coastal areas and tolerates frosts.

#### HORTICULTURE

It tolerates poor drainage and clay soils, and can be planted successfully under established eucalypts. Swamp lilies also flower well in containers. Though hardy, these plants may end up as food for a couple of garden pests. The smooth black, white and yellow striped caterpillars of the moth *Spodoptera picta* may demolish a young plant very quickly. Also, snails and slugs find the large fleshy leaves tasty so young plants may need some protection from them.



#### REFERENCES

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