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<b>SPECIES</b>	Philodendrum selloum
<b>COMMON NAME</b>	Selloum
<b>ORIGIN</b>	South America
<b>DESIGN USE</b>	Mass or specimen planting; above-ground planter; suitable for growing indoors



### HEIGHT

4–5m

### SPREAD

4–5m

### HABIT

This plant is greatly known for its ease in covering a land mass, and typically spread out its tree-like trunk.



### FORM

The trunk of this plant can send down many strong aerial roots that not only give support to the overall plant mass, but also serve to absorb water and nutrients from the soil. The leaves are simple, large, deeply lobed, and are usually drooping.

### FLOWERS

The small, petal-less flowers which are usually white or inflorescent are on a spadix that is enclosed within a spathe.



### FLOWERING PERIOD

Mid-summer after 15-20 years of growing indoors

### CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Not at all drought tolerant, tree philodendron should get regular watering. Frost may kill the leaves of tree philodendron or even kill the whole plant to the ground, but if the cold is not too severe and if the plant is well established, it will come back when warm weather returns.

### HORTICULTURE

Although appearing as if it would need deep shade, Selloum actually grows quite well in full sun or partial shade, and needs fairly rich, moisture-retentive soil to look its best.



### REFERENCES

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