

Cyperus Papyrus - Plant

There are numerous names for papyrus grass. It is a plant in the genus Cyperus, which has native to Madagascar.

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Description for Cyperus Papyrus

Plant height: 24 - 37 inches (60 - 94 cm)

Plant spread:

The plant is called umbrella plant because it has a grass-like habit with sprays of foliage at the top of the stems. These sprays of foliage radiate out like the spokes in an umbrella. The stems are rigid and triangular and have white pith inside. The pith is the source of papyrus paper. Papyrus has no frost tolerance and should be moved indoors for the winter.

Common name(s): Umbrella plant, bulrush, paper reed

Flower colours: -

Bloom time: -

Max reachable height: 10 feet.

Difficulty to grow: Easy to grow.

Planting and care

Papyrus is usually planted by rhizomes in moist, fertile soil in pots and then submerged in an aquatic environment. It can also be planted directly into 3 feet of muddy substrate to hold the heavy stems upright.

Sunlight:

Umbrella Grass can be grown equally well in full sun, bright light, light shade or medium shade.

It's very adaptable and accommodating for the most part.

If things are too dark it will tell you by producing very few new shoots or stems.

Soil:

Papyrus soil requirements and planting instructions, Mix together the following: 60 percent potting soil; 20 percent peat moss; 20 percent coarse sand and a handful of perlite.

Water: Can you overwater a Cyperus plant? Not really is the answer. Very simply you must provide a high level of water saturation at all times to keep your Umbrella Grass healthy and lush looking, so do try to keep the drip tray (or whatever the pot is sitting in) topped up at all times. If you choose a drip tray with a tall edge, you'll be able to reduce the frequency you need to top it up.

Temperature: 10C / 50F to 22C / 72F

Fertilizer: You can give it a balanced fertilizer in spring to support the growth of the huge stems.

Caring for Cyperus Papyrus

Unlike many other houseplants the water requirement isn't something you can negotiate on as attempting to do so will quickly cause ugly effects with the arrival of brown splotches on the leaves or completely yellow / brown Umbrella Grass stems. Make sure your Umbrella Plant is well watered by using a drip tray. The only time you can cut back on the watering is if temperatures go very low, too much water at this point could cause damage through rotting. Additionally do not immerse the entire pot in water at any point for the same reason.

Typical uses of Cyperus Papyrus

Special features:

Ornamental use: if you would like to add an elegant, exotic element to your garden, look no further than papyrus. All you need is a sunny spot and a gorgeous pot for an instant makeover with timeless appeal.

References

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