

Trachycarpus wagnerianus - Plant



Trachycarpus fortunei is a hardy palm native to cultivation in Japan not seen in the wild. All species are from Asia, spreading from India through Myanmar and Thailand into China.

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Description It is one of the hardiest palms growing in a climate not only with cold winters, but also cool, moist summers. Trachycarpus wagnerianus will grow almost anywhere.

Its tolerance of cool summers and cold winters makes it highly valued by palm enthusiasts, landscape designers and gardeners. It does not grow well in very hot climates.

Common name: Chusan Palm, Windmill Palm, Palm Waggy, Dwarf Chusan Palm.

Bloom time:

Height: 5-6m.

Difficulty level: Easy.

Planting & Care

Trachycarpus fortunei is grown as an indoor plant and are not kept outdoor especially in rainy season. For cleaning purpose, it can be washed with a mild shower.

Probably the best palm for the temperate, continental or maritime climate garden and is equally tolerant to various soil and light conditions.

The leaves on wagnerianus are smaller and stiffer than fortunei, making it much more tolerant of winds. This palm is probably a natural variation of Trachycarpus fortunei, but most palm enthusiasts believe that it deserves a species status in its own right.

Sunlight: Need bright light with three or four hours a day of direct sunlight. New growth will be limited if palms receive insufficient light.

Soil: Does best in Rich, well-drained, damp but not wet soils with above average fertility.

Water: Frequent watering cause palms grow moderately, important to make the potting mixture thoroughly moist, but allowing the top centimetre of the potting mixture to dry out before watering again.

Temperature: Completely unharmed by temperatures down to 7°C (45°F).

Fertilizer: No special demands compared to other types of palms. A slow release fertilizer with an N/P/K ratio of 3:1:2 or 3:1:3. Thus, a formulae of 15:5:15 or 12:4:8 would be adequate. Select a preparation that contains microelements and is preferably a slow release formulae.

Care:

- A palm tree needs to establish its roots first.
- Only when the roots have developed adequately does leaf development take place.
- Under normal circumstances no need to provide any protection in winter.
- However, it would be sensible to wrap the crown and trunk of your palm with fleece in a prolonged period of sub zero temperatures.
- Watering in rest period – sparingly Watering in active growth period – moderately Light – bright Temperature in rest period – min 7°C max 24°C (45-75°F) Temperature in active growth period – min 16°C max 24°C (61-75°F) Humidity – low

Use

Ornamental use:

- Makes a great accent which fits well into small areas like courtyards and entries.
- It s a tough plant and survives in hot urban landscapes and even thrives there if watered and fed.
- Also a perfect palm for containers.

Reference:

<http://www.plantsrescue.com/tag/trachycarpus-wagnerianus/>

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