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HOUSEPLANT CARE GUIDES

Howea forsterana

KENTIA PALM

REGION OF ORIGIN

Native to Lord Howe Island in the South Pacific

Ö LIGHT

Kentia Palm thrives in bright, indirect light but can also tolerate lower light conditions, making it an excellent choice for indoor spaces. It's best to avoid direct sunlight, as it can scorch the leaves. While Kentia Palms can adapt to dimmer spots, they will grow more slowly and may become leggy if light levels are too low.



We recommend fertilizers like Espoma Organic Palm Tone, Jack's Houseplant Special, or Organic Plant Magic. These options provide essential nutrients to keep your plants vibrant and thriving.



SOIL

For palm trees mix 2/3 Rooted Goods All-Purpose Potting Mix or Uncle Mike's Organic Potting Mix and 1/3 coarse gardening sand. Alternatively, you can use Espoma's Organic Cactus mix. Another excellent option is Espoma's Cactus soil.

L TEMPERATURE

Kentia Palm prefers temperatures between 60-75°F (15-24°C). It thrives in warm, stable environments, so avoid placing it near heaters, cold drafts, or in areas where temperatures drop below 50°F (10°C).



Kentia Palm prefers to be kept moist, but not soggy. Water it when the top 1-2 inches of soil feel dry to the touch. Be sure to water thoroughly so that the water reaches the roots, but make sure the pot has good drainage to avoid waterlogging. Always empty any excess water from the saucer to prevent root rot.



While generally pest-resistant, Kentia Palms can occasionally attract spider mites or scale. Regularly inspect your plant for signs of infestation and treat promptly with natural or chemical remedies.

PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Kentia Palm can be propagated by separating "pups" or offsets from the base of the plant. Gently remove the plant from its pot, find pups with their own roots, and cut them away with a clean knife. Then, pot the pups into their own containers



Kentia Palm is pet-friendly! It is non-toxic to cats, dogs, making it a safe choice for households with pets.