

Howea forsteriana



Genus: Howea
Family: Arecaceae
Order: Arecales
Class: Liliopsida
Phylum: Angiosperms

Key Facts:

Toxicity: Non-toxic to humans and pets.
Invasiveness: Not invasive.
Plant Type: Palm tree.
Lifespan: Can live up to 50 years or more.

Characteristics:

Plant Height: 3-5 meters.
Spread: 1-2.5 meters.
Leaf Color: Dark green.
Bloom Time: Rarely blooms indoors.
Flower Size: Small.
Flower Color: White to cream.

Distribution:

Origin: Native to Lord Howe Island, Australia.
Habitat: Grows in subtropical rainforests.

Care:

Difficulty: Easy to moderate.
Toughness: Resilient once established.
Maintenance: Low.
Watering: Water when the top inch of soil is dry; keep evenly moist.
Pruning: Remove dead fronds as needed.
Propagation: Propagated by seed or division.
Repotting: Every 2-3 years or when root-bound.

Conditions:

Temperature: Prefers 18°C to 27°C.
Hardiness Zone: USDA zones 9-11.
Sun Requirements: Prefers bright, indirect light; tolerates low light.
Soil Type: Well-draining potting mix.
Use: Ideal for indoor decoration and tropical landscaping.
Location: Ideal for indoor spaces or patios in warm climates.
Pests and Diseases: Generally pest-resistant but may attract scale insects or spider mites. Monitor for overwatering-related issues like root rot.

