

Kentia Palm

(Howea forsterana)

Slow growing and durable, kentia palm is probably the best palm for indoor culture.

Light

Expose to medium (bright indirect) light. Tolerates low light. Pales in full sun. Grows well if under artificial light 16 hours per day.

Water

Allow soil surface to dry out between thorough waterings. Water less in fall and early winter. Mist daily in normal weather, more often in hot weather. Raise humidity.

Temperature

Maintain temperatures in the 80s for best growth. Tolerates average temperatures. Avoid all drafts.

Comments

Pot up in spring in deep pot. Use porous soil. Plant several in large pot for fuller look. Feed with mild solution spring to fall. Don't overfeed. Clean leaves often. Propagate by seed. Be aware, though, that plants take years to mature.