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Plant Care Guide

Simple steps for healthy , happy plants



The Parlor Palm

(*Chamaedorea elegans*)

The Parlor Palm, scientifically known as *Chamaedorea elegans*, is a popular and elegant houseplant cherished for its delicate fronds and adaptability. Native to the rainforests of Southern Mexico and Guatemala, this palm adds a touch of tropical charm to indoor spaces.



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Origin: Southern Mexico and Guatemala

Care Level & Placement: Easy Care, Indoor (Bright, indirect light)

Light



Parlor Palms thrive in bright, indirect light but can tolerate lower light conditions. Avoid direct sunlight, as it can scorch the leaves.

Water



Water moderately, allowing the top inch of soil to dry between waterings. Maintain moderate to high humidity levels. Regular misting or a humidity tray can be beneficial.

Soil



Plant Parlor Palms in well-draining potting mix. Fertilize with a balanced liquid fertilizer every 4-6 weeks during the growing season (spring to early autumn).

Fun fact



The Parlor Palm was a popular Victorian-era houseplant and is considered one of the best air-purifying indoor plants.



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Pet Friendliness

Parlor Palms are non-toxic to pets, making them a safe choice for homes with cats or dogs.



Stress Signs

Brown Tips: If the tips of the fronds turn brown, it could be due to dry air or underwatering. Increase humidity levels and ensure you're watering consistently.

Yellowing Leaves: Yellowing or browning of lower leaves is natural as the plant grows, but excessive leaf yellowing can indicate overwatering. Adjust your watering frequency accordingly.

Slow Growth: If your Parlor Palm's growth becomes slow or stunted, it may benefit from occasional repotting with fresh soil or a slightly larger container. This provides more space and nutrients for its roots to grow.



Botanical Family: Araceae

Botanical Name: Chamaedorea elegans

Common Name: Parlor Palm, Neanthe Bella Palm, Good Luck Palm



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