

Botanical Name: Chamaedorea elegans

Common Name: Parlor palm, Neanthe Bella palm

Type of Plant: Monocot: perennial Character Evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape single-trunked feather palm with slightly weeping,
dark green foliage -- normally grown three or more per pot

Height 3 - 4' Spread to 3' Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure in/out indoors takes light to 75 FC. Outdoors prefers shade.

Soil well-drained potting soil

Hardiness takes most house conditions well

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, 11-20 pairs pinnae, each narrowly elliptic to
6" long, frond to 2' long

Flowers dioecious, small, pale yellow in long, slender,
finger like clusters

Fruit orange, drupe -- turns dark when fully ripe

Propagation: seed, rarely by air layering

Usage: specimen plant in small pots, can be used in mass
plantings -- fairly common in offices, homes, dish gardens

Landscape Care:

Watering keep somewhat dry -- benefits from occasional misting.

Fertilizing balanced, half-strength, monthly

Pruning remove dead leaves

Pests/Diseases spider mites, mealybug

Special Conditions tolerates crowding well

Origin: Mexico Family: Palmae