

Reclinata Palm

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Field grown Reclinata Palm

Native of Senegal, a country in the northeastern part of sub-Saharan Africa, Reclinata is a beautiful and fairly unusual palm that grow in huge clumps and can make an impressive statement in the landscape. Reclinatas work well in landscapes when they are planted in the open and have room to stretch in all directions. They are used as a specimen centerpiece or as a dense landscape buffer.

They are volatile in shape and form and tend to grow as clumps composed of multiple stems that grow away from the center of the clump, reaching heights of 25 to 35 feet. Along the leaf's stem, there are very sharp needles towards the trunk.

Late summer to early fall, flower stalks appear and form attractive yellow sprays. Following them are bright orange, oval dates which are very showy. The dates are edible but not very tasty since it is mostly seed and very little flesh.

Reclinata's are drought tolerant but they are more attractive and grow quicker if periodically watered. They are fairly fast growers and grow faster than many popular palm trees. They grow best in sunny locations and almost any well drained soil.



Reclinata Palm seeds



Reclinata Palm trunk

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Reclinata Palm in the landscape

Common Names:
Senegal Date Palm

Native Origin :
Senegal

Environment:
Soil: clay, sand, loam, alkaline, acidic, well-drained
Salt: moderate
Drought Tolerance: moderate
Exposure: full sun or partial shade

Description:
Hardy Range: 9B - 11
Mature Height: 25 - 35'
Mature Spread: 12 - 20'
Growth Rate: moderate

Ornamental Characteristics:

Reclinatas have curved, slender brown trunks and a dense crown of stiff and feathery fronds. A mature Reclinata can reach 35 feet tall with a 12 to 20 foot spread. Male or female flowers are borne on separate plants, each on 3 feet of floescense. One inch long orange fruit follows the female flower. It grows best in full sun or partial shade and on any well drained soil.



Full Sun



Medium growth



Partial Shade