



Paurotis Palm

Acoelorrhaphe Wrightii

The Paurotis or Everglades palm looks like a combination of an areca palm, cabbage palm, and a saw palmetto—tall and gangly, with the shaggy trunk of a cabbage palm and leaf stems of saw palmetto.

It is one of the 11 palm trees native to Florida.

Widely cultivated, it is frequently used in landscaping in Florida and the southern half of Texas.

Paurotis palms are also native to the Bahamas, Cuba, Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean Islands. They can reach 30 feet in height, with a 20 foot crown. It produces small white inflorescences

in spring and summer. The fruit is small, ranging from green to black when fully ripe. It is a source of food and shelter for birds. Interestingly enough, Paurotis palms can tolerate occasional fires.

AT A GLANCE

Height	30' - 40'
Width	15'
Origin	Florida, Caribbean
Drought Tolerance	Moderate
Growth Rate	Slow
Salt Tolerance	Moderate
USDA Zone(s)	9A-11
Notes:	tolerates poor soils, susceptible to magnesium deficiency

Other Common Name:

Everglades Palm



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