

KENTIA PALM

Botanical Name *Howea forsteriana*

Ethylene Sensitivity No

Interior Light Level 75–150 foot candles

Storage 50–65°F Acclimatized plants can be stored for up to 30 days at proper temperatures and humidity. Ideally plants will be stored for 1 week or less. Plants are chill sensitive.

Purchasing Hints Plants should have uniformly green fronds free of leaf or foliage (frond) spots of various colors and sizes, as this species has fungal pests.

Additional Information Once placed indoors, this species is very durable and needs little attention. However, since this species grows so slowly, it is important to prevent frond loss from excess fertilization or spider mites. Chlorotic and necrotic leaf spots often caused by fluoride injury can be a problem.

Kentia palm is native to Lord Howe's Island in the South Pacific from which this species was named.