



BLACKWOOD'S
home of gardening

INDOOR PLANT CARE CARD

Areca Palm

(Bamboo Palm)



A graceful indoor palm valued for its soft, arching fronds and fresh, tropical feel



LIGHT

Prefers bright, indirect light.
Tolerates lower light but grows best near a bright window.
Avoid direct sunlight; it can scorch fronds.

WATER

Water when the top few centimetres of soil feel slightly dry.
Keep soil moderately moist, not waterlogged.
Use room-temperature water and ensure good drainage.
Mist fronds occasionally to raise humidity (palms love humidity).

SOIL

Use a well-draining potting mix with organic matter.
A mix of peat, perlite and pine bark works well.
Make sure the pot has drainage holes.

FEEDING

Feed with a balanced liquid fertiliser at $\frac{1}{2}$ strength.
Every 4-6 weeks during spring & summer.
Reduce or stop feeding in autumn and winter.
Palms generally need less fertiliser than other indoor plants.

COMMON PROBLEMS

Yellowing / browning fronds can result from overwatering or dry indoor air.
Spider mites may appear in dry conditions. Mist your palm and treat early with neem oil if needed.

EXTRA TIPS

Excellent air-purifying houseplants. Regularly prune any yellowing or damaged fronds to maintain the plant's graceful shape.
Occasionally wipe the fronds with a damp cloth to keep them dust-free.

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