

Hyophorbe lagenicaulis

Kingdom: Plantae (Plants)
Order: Arecales
Family: Arecaceae (Palmae)
Genus: Hyophorbe
Species: Hyophorbe lagenicaulis



Hyophorbe lagenicaulis is commonly known as:

Bottle Palm: This is the most widely recognized name due to the distinctive shape of its trunk resembling a bottle.

Champagne Palm: Another common name, likely derived from the bottle shape and possibly the coloration of its fruit.

Characteristic Features

Trunk: The trunk is swollen at the base, resembling a bottle, which is a unique feature distinguishing it from many other palms.

Leaves: Pinnate (featherlike) leaves that arch gracefully from the top of the trunk.

Fruit: Small, oval shaped fruits that turn from green to black as they mature.

Growth: Slow growing compared to other palms, making mature specimens prized for their aesthetic value.

Uses

Ornamental: Widely cultivated as an ornamental plant in gardens, parks, and landscapes due to its unique and attractive appearance.

Environmental: Provides habitat and food for local wildlife in its native habitat.

Cultural: Sometimes used in religious or ceremonial plantings due to its elegant form and symbolism.

Conservation Status

Endangered: In its native habitat of Round Island, Mauritius, Hyophorbe lagenicaulis is critically endangered due to habitat destruction and unsustainable collection.