



San Jose Hesper Palm

Brahea brandegeei

Height: 60 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 9a

Other Names: Fan Palm

Description:

A magnificent, tall, slender, single trunked palm featuring large, fan shaped, light gray-green leaves that persist around the trunk, forming a skirt; adaptable, survives full inland sun and hot winds; a wonderful addition to the tropical landscape

Planting & Growing

San Jose Hesper Palm will grow to be about 60 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live to a ripe old age of 150 years or more; think of this as a heritage tropical plant for future generations!

This tropical plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for xeriscaping or the moisture-conserving landscape. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.



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