



### **Traveller's Palm**

*Ravenala madagascariensis*

Height: 50 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 10a

Other Names: Traveller's Tree

#### **Description:**

A spectacular, tree-like plant that eventually forms an unbranched trunk, topped by a fan shaped, single plane of large, oval green leaves with split margins, on long, thick petioles; makes a spectacular, large area landscape accent

#### **Planting & Growing**

Traveller's Palm will grow to be about 50 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 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 slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This tropical plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America..



*Traveller's Palm*  
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*Traveller's Palm flowers*  
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