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Chamadeorea elegans

Neanthe Bella Palm, Parlor Palm

An indispensable staple of both grace and utility, the Neanthe Bella Palm is extremely adaptable to most indoor spaces. They are slow growers, never reaching more than 4 feet in height. They are also one of the rare palms that can tolerate low light, making them great plants to darker corners of a well-lit room. Parlor Palms help clean the air, can handle lower temperatures and even low light requirements.

Light: A Neanthe Bella or Parlor Palm is a great plant for those low-light corners where nothing else seems to grow. If you can read a book during the day without putting on a light, you can put a Parlor Palm there. Parlor Palms do grow faster in bright filtered light.

Water: Water a Neanthe Bella Palm well and then allow the top 50% of the soil to dry out before watering again. Under-watering a Parlor Palm may result in entire fronds turning yellow. Over-watering a Parlor Palm causes root rot. The more light a Parlor Palm gets the more water it needs.



Fertilizer: Feed a Neanthe Bella Palm monthly in the Spring and Summer with a well-balanced houseplant food at ½ the recommended strength. Only fertilizes every other month in the Fall and Winter.

TIPS: A Parlor Palm plant is not pruned like other plants. When a leaf of a Parlor Palm dies, remove **ONLY** the leaf and not the stem that connects it to the main trunk of the plant. New growth on a Parlor Palm plant develops from the remaining leaf stem.

Parlor Palms like to be root bound so don't rush to put them into larger containers. There should always be drip holes in any pot you buy. Also be careful when you repot because the roots are fragile and easily damaged.