

Instructions for your newly planted palm

→ Watering:

- ◆ Water daily for the first 4 weeks with 5-10 gallons of water per tree, everyday. (Unless we have rain and cool weather which would permit skipping a day)
- ◆ After 4 weeks switch to every other day watering for another 4 weeks
- ◆ After the first 8 weeks water 2-3 times per week.
- ◆ If there is an irrigation system that is watering that will suffice at this point.
- ◆ Once the tree has been planted 6 months you can let the tree sustain itself unless we are in a drought situation where any plant would need to be watered.

→ Pruning:

- ◆ The only pruning needed on palms is the removal of “dead” fronds at the **lowest** part of the tree
- ◆ DO NOT remove fronds unless they are brown as pruning too much will deprive the new growth of vital nutrients
- ◆ Palms naturally shed old leaves and transfer nutrients from old leaves to the new growth. This may happen at a quicker rate during establishment.

→ Fertilizing

- ◆ Palms are considered low maintenance but will need fertilizing after the 6 month establishment and it is recommended at least once per year.
- ◆ Recommended fertilizing times are March, June and September if using a quick release. You may also use a slow release fertilizer once or twice per year depending on the type.
- ◆ A Palm fertilizer is recommended for its larger quantities of micronutrients but a balance N-P-K fertilizer is sufficient in most cases.
- ◆ Fertilizing is not recommended in the first 3-6 months after planting.