Triangle Palm

*Dypsis decaryi*

*Dypsis decaryi* in a container

*Dypsis decaryi* triangular trunk

*Dypsis decaryi* leaf
Triangle Palm  
*Dypsis decaryi*  
Family: Arecaceae

**Stem & Leaf Type:** herbaceous, evergreen  
**Leaf Color:** bluish-green  
**Fall Color:** n/a  
**Flower Time:** spring  
**Flower Color:** yellow  
**Fruit:** black, round, 1” dia.  
**Light:** full sun (bright indoor light)  
**Moisture:** well-drained  
**USDA Hardiness Zones:** 10-11  

**Insect/Disease Issues:**  
Few  
**Nativity:** Madagascar  

**Location in the Gardens:**  
Conservatory

**Landscape Value:**  
Plants are not winter hardy in central Iowa but this species can be grown indoors. Plants can get large growing 10-20 feet tall, but plants will take many years to reach this height indoors. The plants nice vase shape and large, 6-10’ long bluish-green leaves make it a beautiful specimen plant.

**Notes:**  
The overlapping leaf-bases of this palm form a triangle giving the plant an appearance of a three-sided trunk. As the plant gets taller and the leaf bases peel away a round trunk is revealed. Plants easily propagate from seed. This is a very adaptable palm tolerating most soil conditions making it a good large houseplant for a bright indoor location.

**Months of Interest:**

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