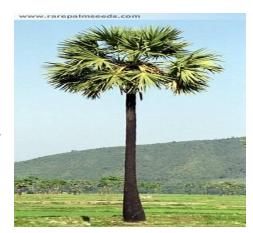
## Borassus flabellifer

Botanical Name: Borassus flabellifer Common Name: Palmyra palm

## **Morphological Characters:**

Borassus flabellifer is a robust tree and can reach a height of 30 metres (98 ft). The trunk is grey, robust and ringed with leaf scars; old leaves remain attached to the trunk for several years before falling cleanly. The leaves are fan-shaped and 3 m (9.8 ft) long, with robust black teeth on the petiole margins.



Like all *Borassus* species, *B. flabellifer* is dioecious with male and female flowers on separate plants. The male flowers are less than 1 cm long and form semi-circular clusters, which are hidden beneath scale-like bracts within the catkin-like inflorescences. In contrast, the female flowers are golfball-sized and solitary, sitting upon the surface of the inflorescence axis.

## **Growing Season and Type:**

- **1.** *Borassus flabellifer* has a growth pattern, very large size, and clean habits that make it an attractive ornamental tree.
- 2. It prefers hot, sunny, well drained position.
- **3.** It is very Drought tolerant but is cold sensitive.
- **4.** In regions where dry season extends upto six months, it is deciduous.







- 1) Flower image of borassus flabellifer
- 2) Leaf image of borassus flabellifer
- 3) Tree image of borassus flabellifer

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