

Strelitzia nicolai

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Common Names: Giant White Bird of Paradise, Wild Banana

Family: Strelitziaceae

Origin: South Africa

Growth: Clumping

Light: Full sun

Foot Candles: 250+

Water: Keep evenly moist

Humidity: 30% - 80%

Temperature: 18°C - 30°C

Soil: Well draining potting mix

Container: Self-watering planter

Nutrients: 15-10-10 Monthly

Propagation: Seed or removal of sucker

Interiorscape Use: Large potted plant, atrium

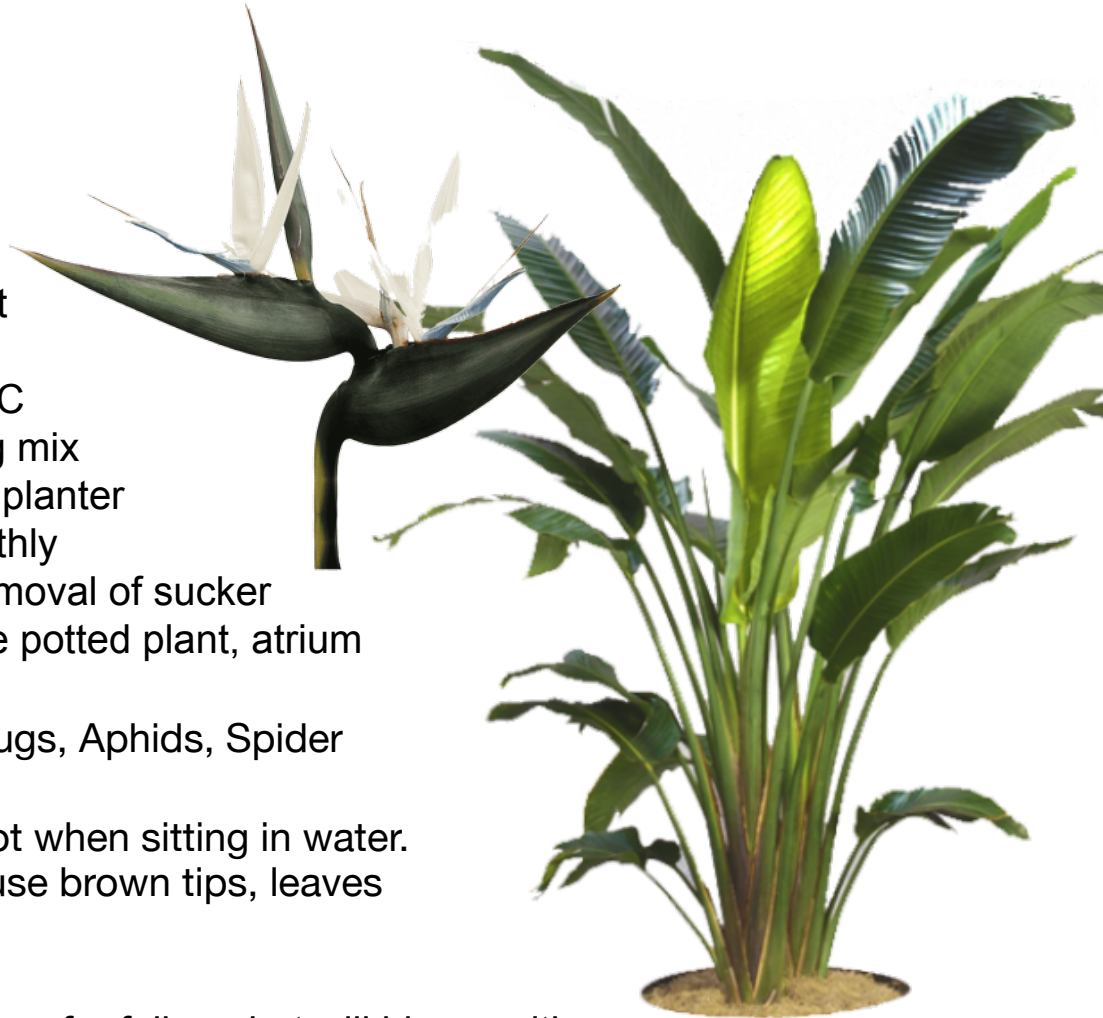
Common Pests: Mealybugs, Aphids, Spider Mites, Scale, Thrips.

Common Issues: Root rot when sitting in water.

Cosmetic: cold drafts cause brown tips, leaves naturally rip.

Comments: Typically grown for foliage but will bloom with sufficient light and cool nights. Often mistaken for a palm. Mature leaves grow to be 2 meters long. The common name is derived from its bird shaped flower.

Toxicity: Mild nausea, vomiting, drowsiness; caused mainly by fruit and seeds.



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