East Bay Nursery

Cylindrical Snake Plant

Sansevieria cylindrica



Cylindrical Snake Plant foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 10a

Other Names: syn. Dracaena angolensis, African Spear Plant

Description:

This interesting succulent forms a fan shaped rosette of cylindrical gray green leaves striped with dark green; long flower spike of fragrant white blooms form on mature plants, when placed in full sun; a unique houseplant for high and low light areas

Features & Attributes

Cylindrical Snake Plant features dainty spikes of fragrant white tubular flowers rising above the foliage in mid spring. Its attractive succulent spiny leaves remain grayish green in color with prominent dark green stripes and tinges of silver throughout the year.

This is an herbaceous evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. This plant should not require much pruning, except when necessary to keep it looking its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Cylindrical Snake Plant can be expected to grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It prefers dry to average moisture levels with very well-drained soil, and may die if left in standing water for any length of time. This plant should be watered when the surface of the soil gets dry, and will need watering approximately once each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in sandy soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant. Be warned that parts of this plant are known to be toxic to humans and animals, so special care should be exercised if growing it around children and pets.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.