

Botanical name:
Genus: Strelizia
Species: nicoli

Common Name(s): Wild banana ,
Bird of paradise (Indoor)

Latin Family Name: Streliziaceae
English Family Name:

The plant

Origin; country or region: Native to South Africa

Growth habit: Banana-like plants with erect woody stems
(Tall and wide)

Flower description: Rarely produces flowers indoors

Blooming period/availability: NA

Leaf/Foliage Description: Its large banana plant-like leaves grown
from its clumping stalks are loved

Usage:

STRENGTHS/OPPORTUNITIES:

Strelitzia nicolai is commonly grown both indoors and outdoors as well

The plant adds a lush tropical flair to various landscapes, pool areas, patios, and even in containers with a drainage hole OR Defines spaces, and the tropical flare it adds to any environment
Its ease of maintenance

A big, (very big) and bright, (very bright) space and it will reward you with stunning, enormous leaves month after month

Used by many in various indoor landscape designs, especially when a 'indoor' tropical landscape look is wanted.

WEAKNESS : This plant is not for everyone and not for every space!

Does not do well in cold climates

Care & Handling

Make sure there are no vents, nor drafts. This plant has absolutely no tolerance for cold temperatures and drafts of any kind

Longevity:

Water requirements: The Strelitzia likes its soil moist, particularly in the warm months

Give it a drink whenever his top two inches of soil are dry

Light: Full sun to part shade. Does relatively well in areas with medium to bright light conditions, but it absolutely thrives in bright light conditions

Soil/Nutrition requirements: Prefers rich, moist soils with good drainage

Special care/remarks: It is often mislabeled and confused with the Strelitzia Reginae, a smaller type of Strelitzia, as they are both known as Bird of Paradise Plants due to their inflorescence resembling tropical birds

