



ARECASTRUM ROMANZOFFIANUM

Fam. **Areceaceae**

DESCRIPTION

It is an evergreen plant, with an arched habit typical of palm trees, which can grow up to 12-15 metres high.

LEAVES

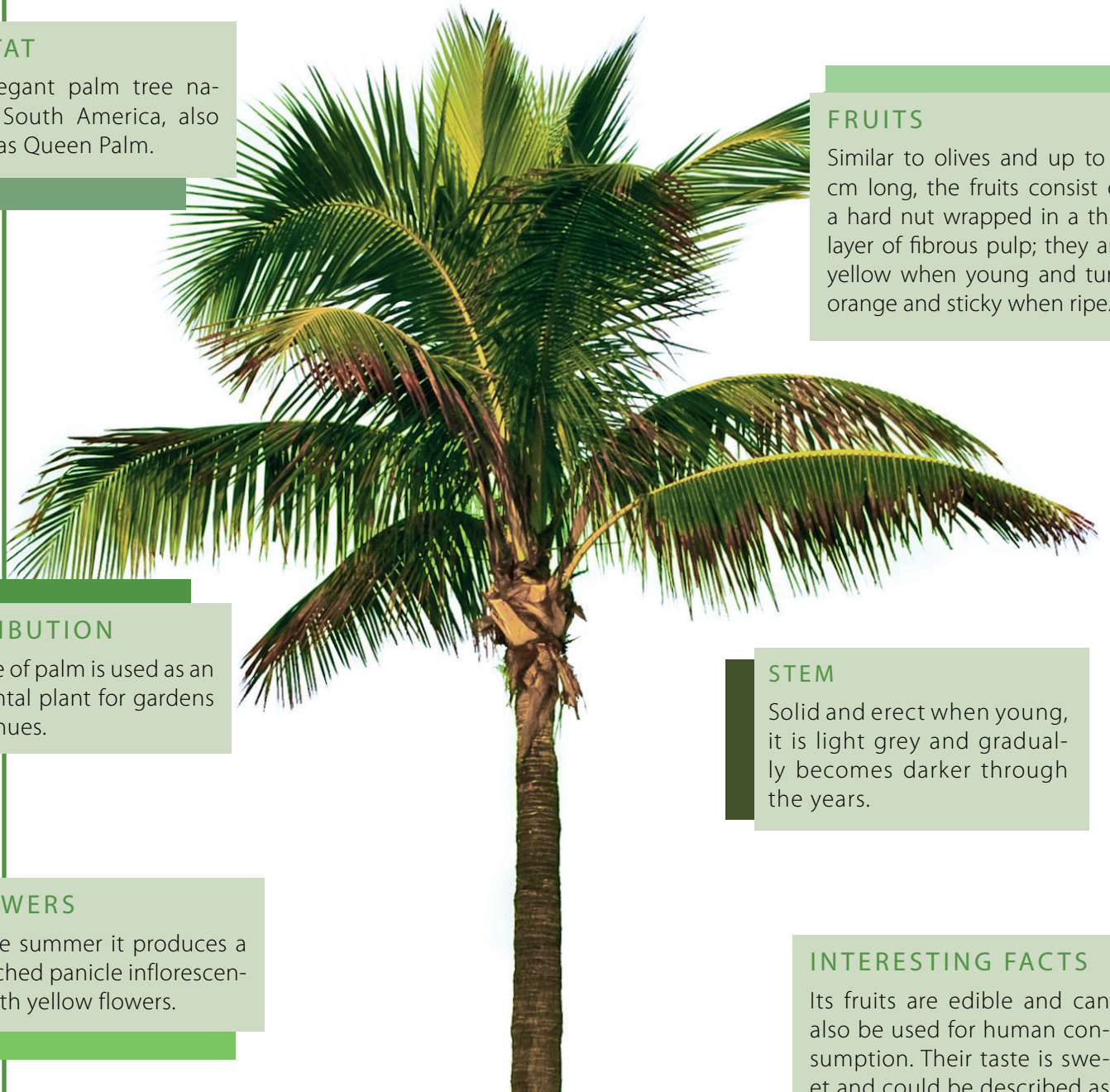
At the top of the stem there is a crown with light and supple foliage with pinnate leaves 3-4 metres long, bright green in the upper part and dull green in the lower part.

HABITAT

Very elegant palm tree native to South America, also known as Queen Palm.

FRUITS

Similar to olives and up to 3 cm long, the fruits consist of a hard nut wrapped in a thin layer of fibrous pulp; they are yellow when young and turn orange and sticky when ripe.



DISTRIBUTION

This type of palm is used as an ornamental plant for gardens and avenues.

STEM

Solid and erect when young, it is light grey and gradually becomes darker through the years.

FLOWERS

In late summer it produces a branched panicle inflorescence with yellow flowers.

INTERESTING FACTS

Its fruits are edible and can also be used for human consumption. Their taste is sweet and could be described as a blend of plum and banana.

ROOTS

Young plants have shallow roots whilst in adult specimens they can branch off for tens of meters, anchoring the plant to the ground.