

Crinum Lily Swamp Lily



FAMILY: Amaryllidaceae prev Liliaceae

HABIT: Large lily with a short trunk.

LEAVES: Upright leaves to 1.5m long and 10cm wide at base.

FLOWER/FRUITS: Open white flowers, 10cm diameter, on thick stem to 80cm long, in summer and autumn.

Eight to nine fleshy seeds are contained within the cream capsule.

PROPAGATION: The seeds germinate readily, often whilst still attached to the plant. The whole capsule can be placed into potting medium and upon germination plants are easily divided.

LOCAL HABITAT: Littoral forest and Melaleuca swamps and along riparian areas.

DISTRIBUTION: New South Wales, Queensland, Northern Territory, Pacific and Malesia Islands.



GENERAL: This plant can tolerate a range of conditions from poor drainage to saline influences, sun or shade, frost and different soil types.

Excellent feature plant. Looks well surrounding dam or water feature. Tolerant of salt winds.

REFERENCES:

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