## **Echter's Nursery & Garden Center**

### **Dragon Tree**

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# Dragon Tree Dracaena arborea

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 8b

#### **Description:**

An interesting plant that is often used as a houseplant; will grow quite large if planted outdoors in frost free areas; great for indoor containers and rock gardens

#### **Features & Attributes**

Dragon Tree's attractive narrow leaves emerge light green, turning bluish-green in color throughout the year on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth. The tan stems can be quite attractive and add to the plant's interest.



Dragon Tree Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This is a multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with an upright spreading habit of growth. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth.

#### **Planting & Growing**

When grown indoors, Dragon Tree can be expected to grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 60 years. This houseplant will do well in a location that gets either direct or indirect sunlight, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. 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 type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.

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.

-- THIS IS A HOUSEPLANT AND IS NOT MEANT TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --