

# 11. Nikau

*Rhopalostylis sapida*

New Zealand's only palm tree and the southernmost palm in the world. Slow growing and found in coastal or low-lying, warm areas

## Flowers

Pink-pale purple flowers grow together on stalks.



## Leaves

Long, narrow leaves with smooth edges. The fronds can be up to 3 metres long.



## Fruit

Bright red, round fruits grow in bunches and take about a year to ripen.



## Bark

Smooth, green ringed bark.



## Size

Up to 15 metres tall

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