

## Insert as Additional Taxa For *Butia capitata*:

***Butia yatay*** (C.F.P. von Martius) O. Beccari  
(*Cocos yatay*)

**Yatay Palm**

- C *Butia yatay* is also known as Jelly Palm or Palma Yatay; this South American species is closely related to *B. capitata*, but is larger, growing slowly to a potential 35Nheight; in addition to a more erect habit, it has fronds which are longer than those of *B. capitata* and appear narrower in relation to their length than those of *B. capitata*; the fruit of this species is also reportedly larger than those of *B. capitata*; fronds possess a handsome blue-green coloration.
- C This species is hardy in USDA zones 8 to 10; although drought tolerance is good, salt tolerance is low and like *B. capitata* plants are most vigorous where they receive some winter chilling; *Butia yatay* should be more extensively tested as a taller feather palm in zone 8 landscapes.
- C Hybrids of *B. yatay* × *B. capitata* are sometimes seen in our regional nursery trade and appear intermediate in most traits between the parental species.

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