Insert as Additional Taxa For *Butia capitata*.

**Chamaedorea microspadix** K.E.M. Burret

- **Hardy Bamboo Palm**
  - *C.* This Mexican species is also known as Palmilla; as the common name implies, this taxon resembles a bamboo as much in leaf and habit as a palm; the leaves are technically pinnately lobed, but the broader shorter segments, 10 to 20 wide by 60 to 100 long, than the typical feather palm look much like medium green colored bamboo leaves; clumps develop short slender trunks bearing only four to eight leaves which eventually form an irregularly rounded canopy 5 to 8 tall by 6 to 12 wide.
  - *C.* Female plants of this dioecious species develop showy panicles of ½ to red-orange fruit, but caution should be used in handling them as some people develop a burning or itching dermatitis from contacting their juice.
  - *C.* *Chamaedorea microspadix* is useful in USDA zones 9(8b) to 11 landscapes in shady to partly sunny locations; this species functions best as an understory shrub or screen along pathways where the handsome fruit can be appreciated; this species is also popular in interiorscapes due to its relative mite resistance within the genus *Chamaedorea*.

**Chamaedorea radicalis** C.F.P. von Martius

- **Radicalis Palm**
  - *C.* *Chamaedorea radicalis* is another Mexican species of *Chamaedorea* with foliage reminiscent of a bamboo, although perhaps not as strongly so as *C. microspadix*; this 5 to 10 tall clumping palm is often trunkless or develops slender trunks from the base bearing six to eight leaves each; the foliage is dark green and the canopy rather open; leaves, 2 to 3 and segments, 8 to 12 are longer and narrower relative to their length than those of *C. microspadix*.
  - *C.* The female flowers on this dioecious species will develop attractive panicles of orange-red ½ diameter fruit; however, these fruit may cause similar symptoms as those of *C. microspadix*.
  - *C.* Plants grow best in a shaded understory and are sometimes used in interiorscaping; this palm is useful in USDA zones 9 to 11.

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