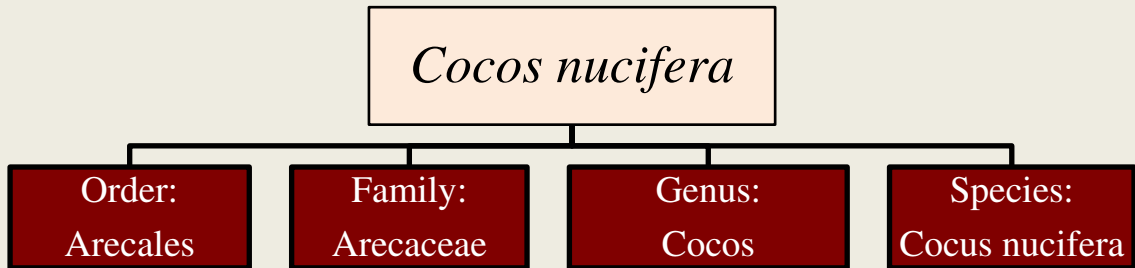


# Coconut palm



## DESCRIPTION

- The slender, leaning, ringed trunk of the coconut palm rises to a height of up to 25 meters (80 feet) from a swollen base and is surmounted by a graceful crown of giant featherlike leaves.
- Mature fruits, ovoid or ellipsoid in shape, 300–450 mm (12–18 inches) in length and 150–200 mm (6–8 inches) in diameter.
- Coconut flesh is high in fat and eaten fresh. The liquid of nut, commonly known as coconut water, consumed fresh and is used in beverages.
- Besides drink, food and shade, coconut tree offers the possibilities of housing, thatching, hats, baskets, furniture, mats, cordage, clothing, charcoal, brooms, fans, ornaments, musical instruments, shampoo, containers, implements and oil for fuel, light, ointments, soap, and more.