

# Genus Datasheet

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Network Programme  
(Family.Genus)

1. Genus: *Caryota* L.

2. Systematic Position:

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- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperm
- Clade: Monocots
- Clade: Commelinids
- Order: Arecales Bromhead
- Family: Areaceae Bercht. & J. Presl
- Subfamily: Coryphoideae Burnett
- Genus: *Caryota* L.

Bentham and Hooker (1862)

Kingdom: Plantae  
Division: Phanerogamia  
Class: Monocotyledones  
Series: Calycinae  
Ordo: Palmae Juss.  
Genus: *Caryota* L.

3. Species:

Global: 14

India: 4

4. Taxonomic riddles:

5. Distribution:

**Global:** Australia, Bangladesh, Borneo, Cambodia, China, India, Java, Laos, Malaya, Malaysia, Maluku, Myanmar, Nepal, New Guinea, Pacific, Papuasias, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Sulawesi, Sumatera, Thailand, Vanuatu, Vietnam

**India:** Assam, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, East Himalaya, Manipur, Sikkim

6. **Habit and Habitat:** Large, monoecious palms; ranging from monsoon climate to prehumid areas, from sea level to 2000 m in the mountains

7. **Economic Importance:** The shoot apex is edible and good. Stems provide sago, the larger species being especially favoured. Timber is used for construction purposes. Leaf sheath fibres are extremely durable and harvested for thatch, cordage, and other purposes. Also use as ornamental views

8. DNA content range:

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Methodology:

Feulgen microdensitometry<sup>8</sup>

9. Basic chromosome number(s):  $x=16^{1,2}$

10. Zygotic chromosome number (s):  $2n=28^{1,2}$

$2n=32^{3,4,5,6,9}$

$2n=34^{7,10}$

11. Gametic chromosome number (s):  $n=16^4$

12. Specialized chromosomes (B chromosomes/Sex chromosomes/Polytene chromosomes/ Neocentric chromosomes):

13. Ploidy level:

**14. Nature of polyploidy (auto, segmental, allo, autoallo):**

**15. Aberrant chromosome number(s) (aneuploidy, aneusomy, polysomy):** Several somatic cells with abnormal number  $2n=7^4$ ,  $2n=8^4$ ,  $2n=10^4$ ,  $2n=28^4$

**16. Karyograms:**<sup>4</sup>

**Meiosis:**

**17. Banding pattern(s):**

**18. Physical mapping of chromosomes:**

**GISH:**

**19. Phylogenetic relationship at Chromosomal; DNA level: DNA level**<sup>13, 14</sup>

**20. Cytogenetic mechanism (s) underlying evolution**

**21. Linkage map:**

**22. Any other information:**