Strengthening our Community Tree Canopy Through Education - Module #5 Palm Anatomy



Apical Meristem...also known as the heart or bud

Root Initiation Zone — area where roots develop directly from the palm trunk

- Roots do not increase in diameter
- Roots are continuously regenerated







Self-Cleaning Palm – palms with crown shafts that naturally drop fronds



Pruning

- Palms do not compartmentalize
- Remove only non-living, brown fronds and fruit
- Cut only below the horizon line
- DO NOT HURRICANE CUT



Non-Self-Cleaning Palm – palms that require manual trimming





For more information:

http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu http:// palm-beach.ifas.ufl.edu http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu

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