

## Photo Feature



*Eugeissona brachystachys* is a local palm of ridge tops in northeastern Peninsular Malaysia. Unlike the weedy, widespread *Eugeissona tristis*, *E. brachystachys* has less heavily spiny petioles, broader leaflets and emerald green, rather than brown, petals. Male flower buds are shown here; after the male flowers have finished flowering, they will be pushed out of their subtending bracts by the hermaphroditic flowers, which look very similar apart from an obliquely flattened side to the petal tips, formed as they pressed against the male flowers.

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