

THE DATE PALM IS ...

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1.- A gift to Humanity.

- BIRCHER, WARDA H. (1995). *The Date Palm*. Elias Modern Publishing House. Cairo, p. x.

2.- Man's friend and companion.

- BIRCHER, WARDA H. (1995). *The Date Palm*. Elias Modern Publishing House. Cairo, p. 3.

3.- Man's oldest friend.

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Long before the dog: as is widely known, the dog was tamed some 15,000 years ago. On the other hand, the palm tree has existed for hundreds of thousands of years.
(Authors' note)

4.- A marvel of Nature.

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5.- The Tree of Life.

- PICÓ MELÉNDEZ, F. "La palmera datilera, el Árbol de la Vida". In pp. 209 y 211: tree of material and spiritual life. Other references in pp. 214, 234 y 243. In: NUEZ, FERNANDO (Ed.) (2002) *La herencia árabe en la agricultura y el bienestar de Occidente*. Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, pp. 205-48.

- PICÓ MELÉNDEZ, F. (1977) *El Palmeral Histórico de Elche*. Ayuntamiento de Elche, p. 29. "...which, due to the array of beneficial properties it lends to mankind, has come to be known as the tree of life."

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- PERROT, NELL. "Les representations de l'arbre sacré sur les monuments de Mesopotamie et d'Elam". *Babyloniaca*. 1937. Vol. 17, p. 30.

6.- The Tree of Birth.

-PICÓ MELÉNDEZ, F. *La palmera en la Cultura Ibérica y la Antigua Cultura Mediterránea*. www.palmerasyjardines.com

7.- The Tree of trees.

- BIRCHER, WARDA H. (1995) *The Date Palm. A Friend and Companion of Man*. Elias Modern Publishing House. Cairo. p. 76.

In the Age of Prophets in Arabia during the 5th and 6th centuries. It is largely accepted that the palm tree is not a tree. (Authors' note)

8.- The Sacred Tree of the Sumerians and Assyrians.

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- JIMÉNEZ LOZANO, JOSÉ (2004). *Guía espiritual de Castilla*. Ámbito. Valladolid. Sexta edición, p. 15. (the date palm in Ancient Mesopotamia).
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- DANTHINE, HÉLÈNE (1937). *Le Palmier-Dattier et les Arbres Sacrés dans l'Iconographie de l'Asie Occidentale Ancienne*. Paul Geuthner. Paris, passim.

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9.- The Sacred Tree of the Greek Temple of Delphos.

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11.- The head of the Sky.

-. BIRCHER, WARDA H. (1995) *The Date Palm. A Friend and Companion of Man*. Elias Modern Publishing House. Cairo. pp. 35-6: one of the Assyrian names for the palm tree, the origins of which are Sumerian.

12.- The Aunt and Mother of all Arabs.

-. BIRCHER, WARDA H. (1995). *The Date Palm. A Friend and Companion of Man*. Elias Modern Publishing House. Cairo, p. 76.

13.- Like the Just.

-. Salmos 92.12 (92. 13 ó 91. 13, according to various versions). "Justus ut palma florebit" (The just will flower like the palm tree)

-. BEATO DE LIÉBANA. *Comentario al Apocalipsis de San Juan*. Libro IV. 6, pp. 409 and 411, in GONZÁLEZ ECHEGARAY, JOAQUÍN et al. (ed.) (1995). *Obras Completas de Beato de Liébana*. Edición bilingüe. BAC. Madrid.

-. BUROLLET, T. (1999) "Représentations dans la symbolique et dans l'Art". *Hommes & Plantes*. Número 29. Printemps, p. 41.

-. JIMÉNEZ LOZANO, JOSÉ (2004). *Guía espiritual de Castilla*. Ámbito. Valladolid. 6 ed., p. 15.

14.- The Angels' Abode.

-. LOPE FÉLIX DE VEGA CARPIO. *Poemas. Villancicos*. 5.

15.- The Centre of the Soul.

-. TERESA SÁNCHEZ CEPEDA DÁVILA Y AHUMADA. *Castillo Interior*. Moradas Primeras. Chap. II.

16.- The Sun.

-. DE KERCHOVE DE DENTERGHEM, OSWALD (1878) *Les Palmiers*. J. Rothschild. Paris, p.124.

- TEOFRASTO BOMBASTO DE HOHENHEIM, FELIPE AUREOLO (PARACELSO). (1987) *El arcano de las plantas*. Edaf. Madrid, p. 155.
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- JACQUEMIN, D. (1999) *Palmiers Ornementaux pour les Climats Méditerranéens*. Champflour. Marly-le-Roi. p. 191.

17.- ...the Desert, the Sun and Remoteness: Thirst; a Cold Fountain dreamed up in a frozen Landscape.

- MACHADO, ANTONIO. *Campos de Castilla*. Poem CIII (Las encinas).

18.- The hermit's Rest.

- HERVÉ, ALAIN. (1995) *La Passion des Palmiers*. ROM. Nice, p. 67.

19.- The Bread of the Desert.

- SIMON, R. (1978) *The Date Palm: Bread of Dessert*. Dodd, Mead and Company. New York.

20.- The tree of abundance of the Akkadians.

- PORTER, B. N. (1993). "Sacred trees, date palms, and the royal persona of Ashurnasirpal II". *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*. Vol. 52, 2. April, p. 134.

21.- The tree of wealth of the Akkadians.

- PORTER, B. N. (1993). "Sacred trees, date palms, and the royal persona of Ashurnasirpal II". *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*. Vol. 52, 2. April, p. 134.

22.- The tree of bread.

- MONBRUN, PH. (1989) "Artemis et le Palmier dattier". *Pallas*. XXXV, p. 76.

23.- The tree of milk.

- MONBRUN, PH. (1989) "Artemis et le Palmier dattier". *Pallas*. XXXV, p. 76.

24.- A very noble tree.

- HERRERA, GABRIEL ALONSO DE (1513) *Obra de Agricultura*. Arnao Guillén de Brocar. Alcalá de Henares, f. 93v.