

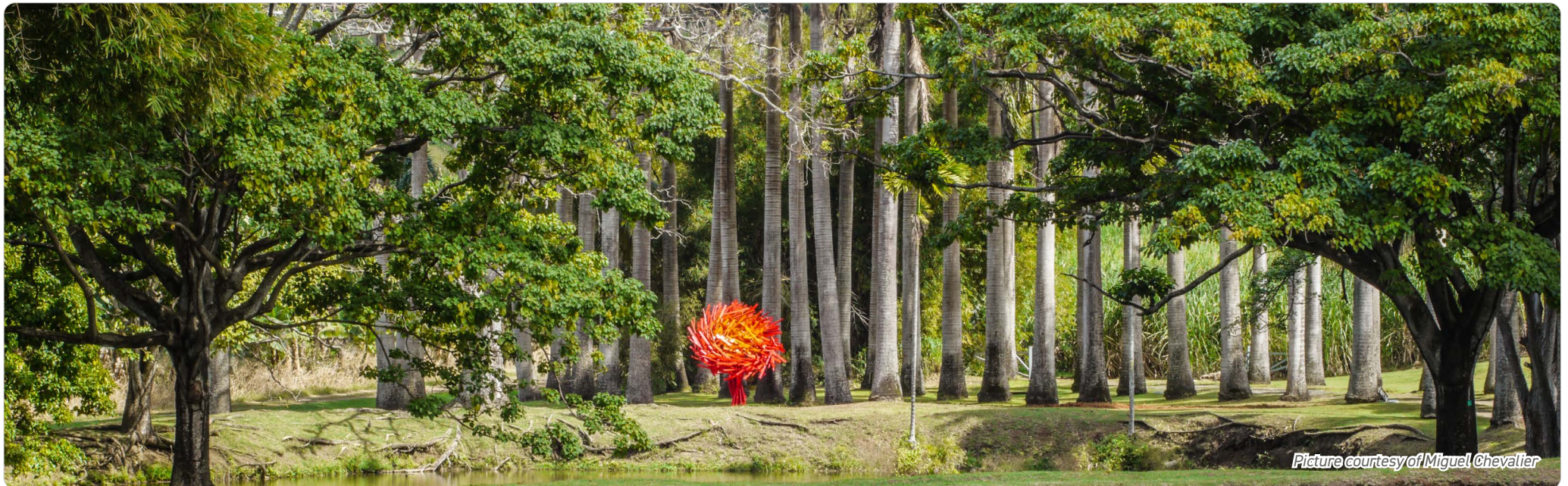
Silene Luminaris

Martinique, France

Strolling through the grounds of Martinique's Fondation Clément botanical park, visitors may come across a rather surprising, abstract species of plant. Amongst the green of royal palms, banana trees and sugar cane fields grows a giant red-orange flower of twisting metal. Known as the Silène luminaris sive Muflier de Borges and commissioned by collector Bernard Hayot, the stainless steel sculpture is part

of artist Miguel Chevalier's Fractal Flowers series. Renowned for his experimental use of technology and 3D printing, Chevalier provides the model from which metalworkers can work from, adding their own unique artistic touch. Now permanently planted in Martinique, the sculpture's twisting rhythms bring an aurora of reflection to the surrounding landscape, while at night the use subtle lighting sends mysterious shadows running across the grounds.

Environment:	park side
Use:	main body
Material:	316, painted (red and orange) on a No. 1 finish
Manufacturer:	Aperam
Architects:	Miguel Chevalier
Photographs:	Miguel Chevalier
More information:	aperam.com



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