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Plant Care Guide

Simple steps for healthy , happy plants



Baby's Tears

(*Soleirolia soleirolia*)

Baby's Tears, also known as *Soleirolia soleirolia*, is a delicate and trailing plant with tiny, round leaves that resemble droplets. Its dense growth and lush appearance make it a popular choice for hanging baskets, terrariums, or ground cover in shaded areas.



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Origin: Corsica and Sardinia in the Mediterranean region

Care Level & Placement: Easy care, Indoor or outdoor (in shaded areas)



Light

Avoid exposing it to direct sunlight, as it can scorch the delicate foliage. Indoor placement near a north-facing window or in a shaded outdoor area is ideal.



Water

Baby's Tears thrives in high humidity, so misting the foliage regularly or placing the plant on a pebble tray filled with water can help maintain adequate moisture levels.



Soil

Well-draining soil that retains some moisture. A mixture of peat moss, perlite, and regular potting soil works well. Ensure good drainage to prevent waterlogging.



Fun fact

Baby's Tears got its name from the numerous tiny leaves that resemble tears. It is also known as "Mind-Your-Own-Business" because of its ability to spread and fill empty spaces quickly.



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Pet Friendliness

Baby's Tears is considered non-toxic to pets.



Stress Signs

Wilting or Dry Foliage: If the leaves of Baby's Tears appear wilted or dry, it may indicate insufficient watering. Check the soil moisture and increase watering if the soil feels dry.

Browning or Yellowing Leaves: Browning or yellowing leaves can be a sign of overwatering or poor drainage. Ensure that the plant is not sitting in waterlogged soil.

Leggy Growth or Sparse Foliage: If the plant starts to develop long, leggy stems or sparse foliage, it may be an indication of insufficient light. Move the plant to a brighter location.



Botanical Family: Urticaceae

Botanical Name: Soleirolia soleirolii

Common Name: Baby's Tears, Mind-Your-Own-Business



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