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Plant Care Guide

Simple steps for healthy , happy plants



Pothos

(Epipremnum Pinnatum)

Pothos is a popular trailing houseplant with heart-shaped leaves that come in various shades of green and variegated patterns. It is known for its vigorous growth and ability to thrive in a variety of indoor conditions, making it a favorite choice for both beginners and experienced plant lovers.



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Origin: Mo'orea, French Polynesia

Care Level & Placement: Easy Care, Indoor plant



Light

Pothos can tolerate a wide range of lighting conditions, from low to bright indirect light. However, for best growth and variegation, provide bright, indirect light. Avoid direct sunlight, as it can scorch the leaves.



Water

Water your Pothos when the top inch of soil feels dry. It is better to underwater than overwater, as excessive moisture can lead to root rot. Allow the soil to dry out between waterings, but do not let the plant completely wilt.



Soil

Use a well-draining potting mix for your Pothos. A mix of regular indoor potting soil and perlite or peat moss works well. Ensure the pot has drainage holes to prevent waterlogging.



Fun fact

Pothos is known for its air-purifying qualities and can help improve indoor air quality by removing toxins such as formaldehyde and benzene.



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Pet Friendliness

Pothos is considered toxic to pets if ingested. Keep it out of reach of cats, dogs, and other animals to prevent any potential poisoning.



Stress Signs

Wilting or Drooping Leaves: Wilting or drooping leaves are a sign of underwatering. If the leaves appear limp and the soil is dry, it's time to water your Pothos.

Yellowing Leaves: Yellowing leaves can be a sign of both overwatering and underwatering. If the leaves turn yellow and feel mushy, it indicates overwatering and potential root rot. If the leaves turn yellow and dry, it suggests underwatering. Adjust your watering routine accordingly.

Leggy Growth and Small Leaves: If your Pothos starts exhibiting long, leggy stems with small leaves, it indicates insufficient light. Move the plant to a brighter location or closer to a window to encourage compact growth and larger leaves.



Botanical Family: Araceae

Botanical Name: Epipremnum Pinnatum

Common Name: Pothos, Devil's Ivy, Money Plant



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