

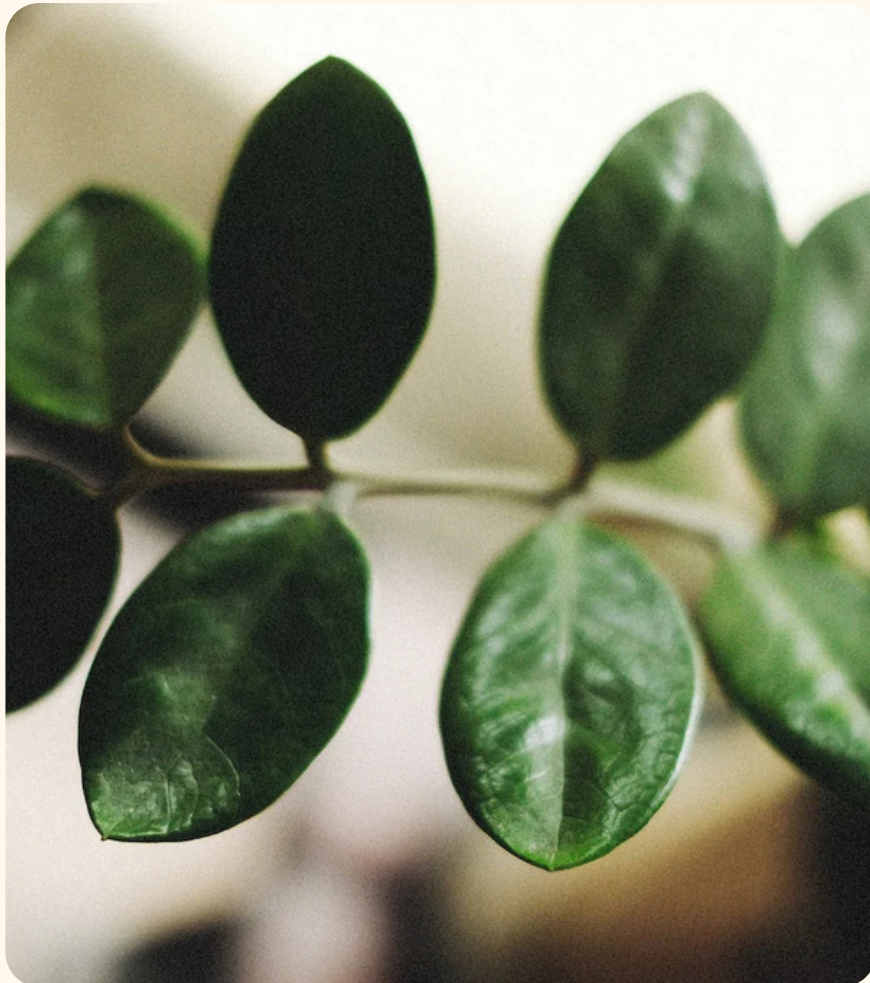


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# Plant Care Guide

Simple steps for healthy , happy plants



## ZZ Plant

(Zamioculcas zamiifolia 'Dwarf Raven')

Zamioculcas zamiifolia 'Dwarf Raven,' also known as Dwarf Raven ZZ plant, is a compact variety of ZZ plant with striking, dark purple-black foliage. Its glossy leaves and compact growth habit make it a stunning addition to any indoor space.



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**Origin:** Eastern Africa

**Care Level & Placement:** Easy Care, Indoor plant



### Light

Dwarf Raven ZZ plants can tolerate low to moderate light conditions, but they thrive in bright, indirect light. Avoid exposing them to direct sunlight, as it can scorch their dark leaves. They can adapt to lower light levels, but growth may be slower.



### Water

Allow the soil of Dwarf Raven ZZ plants to dry out between waterings. They have a tolerance for drought and prefer being slightly dry rather than overwatered. Water thoroughly, but avoid waterlogged conditions to prevent root rot.



### Soil

Plant Dwarf Raven ZZ in a well-draining potting mix. A combination of regular potting soil and perlite or sand works well to ensure good drainage. Avoid heavy or compacted soils that can retain excess moisture.



### Fun fact

The dark purple-black foliage of Dwarf Raven ZZ plants adds a touch of drama and elegance to any space. It's a visually striking plant that can serve as a focal point or enhance the overall aesthetic of your indoor environment.



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### **Pet Friendliness**

Dwarf Raven ZZ plants are considered mildly toxic to pets. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal discomfort. Keep them out of the reach of curious pets or choose pet-friendly alternatives if you have animals at home.



### **Stress Signs**

**Yellowing leaves:** Yellowing of the leaves can indicate overwatering or underwatering. Check the moisture level in the soil and adjust your watering routine accordingly.

**Leaf drop:** Excessive or sudden leaf drop can occur due to environmental changes, such as temperature fluctuations or drafts. Ensure a stable and suitable environment for the plant.

**Slow growth:** If the Dwarf Raven ZZ plant shows minimal or no new growth over an extended period, it may indicate inadequate light or nutrient deficiency. Adjust the lighting conditions or consider fertilizing with a balanced houseplant fertilizer.

**Botanical Family:** Araceae

**Botanical Name:** *Zamioculcas zamiifolia* 'Dwarf Raven'

**Common Name:** Dwarf Raven ZZ Plant, Dwarf Raven Zanzibar Gem



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