## Mahoney's

#### HOUSEPLANT CARE GUIDES

Ficus lyrata

# **FIDDLE LEAF FIG**

### **Ö** Light

Fiddle leaf figs thrive in bright, indirect light. Place them near an east- or south-facing window for best results. A few hours of gentle morning sun or filtered afternoon light can boost their growth, but avoid harsh midday sun, which can scorch their leaves.



We recommend fertilizers like Espoma Organic Indoor! Houseplant Food, Jack's Houseplant Special, or Organic Plant Magic. These options provide essential nutrients to keep your plants vibrant and thriving.



Propagate through seeds, stem cuttings, or air-layering in spring through summer. Use a mix of moist peat and perlite. Regular repotting encourages growth.



#### SOIL

For tropical plants we recommend our Rooted Goods All-Purpose Potting Mix, Uncle Mike's Organic Potting Mix, or Espoma's Organic Potting Mix. All three options are great choices for ensuring healthy growth and thriving plants.

#### **REGION OF ORIGIN**

West Africa



Let the top 1–2 inches of soil dry out before watering. If it feels dry at that depth, water deeply until it drains from the bottom of the pot. Always empty the saucer to prevent the roots from sitting in standing water.

### TEMPERATURE

Fiddle leaf figs thrive in warm, stable temperatures like their tropical origins. During the day, aim for 65–75°F (18–24°C), and avoid temperatures below 55°F (13°C) at night. Keep them away from drafty windows, doors, air vents, radiators, or fireplaces.



Watch out for common pests such as whitefly, mealybugs, scale, and thrips. Regularly inspect and clean the leaves with a damp cloth to deter these nuisances. If spotted treat with natural or chemical remedies.



No, fiddle leaf figs are not petsafe and are toxic to cats and dogs if ingested. To protect curious pets, keep your fiddle leaf fig out of reach or opt for pet-safe alternatives like a parlor palm, cast iron plant, or money tree.