

POLKA DOT PLANT

REGION OF ORIGIN

Madagascar



LIGHT

Polka Dot Plant thrives in bright, indirect light to maintain its vibrant, colorful foliage. Too little light can cause the colors to fade and leggy growth, while direct sunlight may scorch its delicate leaves.



SOIL

For tropical plants, we recommend using 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.



WATER

Polka Dot Plants like their soil to be kept evenly moist, but not soggy. Water when the top 1-2 inches of soil feel dry to the touch. Be sure the pot has good drainage and always empty out the saucer to prevent root rot.



FERTILIZER

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.



TEMPERATURE

Polka Dot Plants thrive in temperatures between 65-80°F (18-27°C). Keep away from cold drafts, air conditioners, or heaters, as sudden changes in temperature can stress the plant. Avoid exposing it to temperatures below 60°F (16°C), as this can cause leaf drop or damage.



ISSUES + FIXES

The Polka Dot Plant is generally resistant to pests but may occasionally attract mealybugs, spider mites, or aphids. If you spot any pests, treat them promptly with natural or chemical remedies. Fading colors and leggy growth often indicate insufficient light, while wilting leaves can be a sign of either underwatering or overwatering.



PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Take a 4-6 inch stem cutting with at least one node and a few healthy leaves. Remove the lower leaves to expose the node and place the cutting in water, ensuring the node is submerged. Once roots have formed, transplant the cutting into soil. Pinch back the plant regularly to encourage more bushy growth.



PET FRIENDLY ?

Yes, the Polka Dot Plant is considered pet-friendly and non-toxic to cats and dogs, making it a safe choice for homes with furry friends.