

# DRACAENA CARE GUIDE

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**Dracaena**

## **WATER**

These plants need to be consistently moist during the growing season (spring through fall). The frequency in which you water will depend on the temperature and humidity levels of your environment. A guideline would be to water once a week, thoroughly soaking the plant and allowing any excess water to soak through and drain out the bottom. In the winter months, allow the plant to go drier to mimic natural growing conditions. This may look like watering every two weeks instead of weekly.

## **SOIL TYPE**

Moist, well-drained soil such as an all purpose potting mix will do the trick for these houseplants. They appreciate a more acidic soil which can be achieved with the use of an acidifying fertilizer.

## **FERTILIZER**

To feed the plant, incorporate an acidifying liquid fertilizer (3-1-2 or 8-2-10 ratio) to the watering routine once a month.

## **LIGHT**

Partial sun is best for these houseplants, achieved by placing the plant in an east facing window for morning sun or west facing window for evening light.

## **AIR**

Air temperatures will be best between 70-80 degrees but cannot fall below 50 degrees. The humidity should also be on the higher side, which can be achieved with a pebble tray or humidifier.

## **BRIGHT, INDIRECT LIGHT**

This means they will be happiest in front of west-facing, east-facing windows, or a couple of feet back from south-facing windows.