

FITTONIA CARE GUIDE



Fittonia

Fittonia albivenis

Common name: Nerve Plant or Mosaic Plant

WATER

Fittonia is native to the tropical rainforests of South America and mostly Peru. Prefers rainwater, filtered water, or boiled water that has cooled. Water thoroughly and let the pot drain completely letting all water drip from the drainage holes in the bottom. Leaves will droop when it needs watering. If the leaves turn yellow and drop off, you're probably over watering. The plant needs to be kept constantly moist with a high level of ambient humidity provided by frequent misting or by placing the pot in a tray filled with pebbles and water.

FERTILIZER

Feed it every couple of weeks in spring and summer with a well balanced 5-5-5 liquid plant food, diluted to half the recommended strength.

LIGHT

Bright and filtered or indirect light and humidity are best. Direct sunlight will scorch the leaves, leaving them brown and crispy. If the plant starts to drop leaves, light levels might be too low.

SOIL

Requires moisture retaining and well draining soil. Also prefers a slightly acidic soil, pH 6.5.

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