

# CARE GUIDE

Philodendron

## LET'S GET TO KNOW YOU

Ranging from bold and bushy to graceful and vining, Philodendrons are easy to care for and a beautiful addition to any home.

## LIGHT

While bright and indirect light is optimal for Philodendrons, they can tolerate lower and medium light quite well. Be mindful of direct sun, however, as the harsher rays can burn your foliage. Most Philodendrons can tolerate morning sunlight, but any sun beyond that should be shaded or filtered to protect the leaves.

## WATER

Generally quite forgiving, Philodendrons can wait until the soil is about 50-75% dry before watering. A general rule of thumb is to use your thumb! Any finger will work, but feeling for the moisture level in your soil is the best way to determine if you need to water your Philodendron. If at least the first few inches are dry then it's time to break out the watering can. Water until it is freely coming out the drainage hole and then leave to drain. Be sure to discard any left over standing water as too much moisture can promote root rot.

## FERTILIZER

Any gentle houseplant or tropical plant fertilizer will work well for your Philodendron. We recommend feeding your plant once a month during the growing season (Spring and Summer) and no more than bi-monthly during the dormant season (Fall and Winter).

## PLACEMENT AND TEMPERATURE

Since Philodendrons don't like direct sunlight they can be placed anywhere in the home as long as there is medium to bright ambient light they can access. We recommend placing them in North and East facing windows, or if they are in a sunnier spot, filtering the light with a screen, or placing them farther away from the windows to protect them from being sunburned. Additionally, being tropical plants, philodendrons prefer being kept at a temperature between 65 and 80°F.

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