# STRINGS OF THINGS CARE GUIDE



# String of Pearls Senecio rowleyanus

Consisting of beautiful cascading foliage, these succulent and semi-succulent strings of things make an incredible addition to the home. Including strings of hearts, pearls, needles, turtles, dolphins and more, here is how to care for these trailing cuties.

#### WATER

Due to their succulent nature, all varieties prefer to completely dry out between watering. A good rule of thumb to follow is heavier watering less frequently as opposed to lighter watering more frequently. If using tap water to water your plants, be sure to leave it out 24 hours beforehand so any treatments can evaporate out. Otherwise rainwater, or reverse-osmosis water is optimal.

## PLACEMENT AND TEMPERATURE

These plants thrive the best in temperatures above 70°F, but will tolerate anything above 50°F. Additionally, due to their succulent nature, low humidity conditions are favorable and preferred.

#### FERTILIZER

Being minimal eaters, you don't need to feed your strings very often! We recommend using a gentle indoor houseplant, or succulent fertilizer once a month during the growing season (Spring and Summer).

#### LIGHT

Bright and partial sunlight works best. Most strings can tolerate sun throughout the day, even the harsher afternoon sun, but make sure to monitor them in case they get sunburned. Succulents can get sunburned too! We recommend placing in any room where you have your brightest ambient light with partial sunlight, usually west or south facing rooms.

### ADDITIONAL CARE

Any dead leaves or stems found can be pruned off using sterilized clippers or pruners. If your plant is becoming too "leggy" you can prune it and propagate that stem into a new plant! Just make sure to let the stem dry and callous over where you cut it before planting it in soil.

As long as it is warm enough, you can keep your plant outside, just remember to bring it inside during winter or moments of frost!

It is also important to note that while all strings generally have the same care requirements, some varieties, like the string of pearls, can be fussy about their care. Make sure you are extra attentive to your strings so that they are as happy as possible! And don't forget if you need help you are welcome to stop by the Botany Shop with your plant where we can work together to find a solution.