HOUSEPLANT CARE GUIDE TIPS & TRICKS

DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP A MOISTURE METER!



403 GREEN VILLAGE ROAD GREEN VILLAGE NJ 07935 973-377-8703 THEFARMATGREENVILLAGE.COM INFO@THEFARMGV.COM **LIGHTING** Check the direction your windows are facing; south-facing give bright light, east/west-facing give moderate light, and north-facing give low light. **Bright**, indirect sunlight is best.

ARE YOU COMPATIBLE? Attention-loving air plants, orchids, or ferns may be a great option if you have time to spare. Low-maintenance plant like succulents, ZZ plant, or snake plants, might be a better option if you're short on time. **Don't hesitate to look online for information about the best plant caring practices!** Gardening websites or YouTube may have answers to most questions you have.

LESS (WATER) IS MORE It's better to under water than overwater — you don't need a watering schedule. We recommend watering when your plant needs it and using **a moisture meter** is one of the best things you can do. Watering needs change throughout the year too, less water in winter and more during the growing season (spring thru fall). Remember, wilting leaves or soil that looks pulled away from the sides of the planter are signs of a thirsty plant.

KEEP IT STABLE Most *tropical plants* prefer high humidity and bright, indirect light. *Desert dwellers*, like cacti, prefer dry air and bright light. Overall, keeping a temperature between 65 and 75 degrees F is best.

FERTILIZER If you choose to fertilize, it's best to do so **during the growing season** (early spring to early fall). If you replant, fresh soil typically has enough new nutrients to get the job done.

SHOP LOCAL! We are here to help! Our team members are well versed in houseplants and would love to share our knowledge with you.

SHOW SOME TLC Welcome your new houseplant home with a little bit of extra attention. While you get to know each other, you will learn what your houseplant wants and what it doesn't need.

REPOTTING Think of repotting more like a soil change. Fresh potting mix in a planter **only 1-3 inches larger** than its current container is the key to success.

DRAINAGE Make sure your pot has drainage. This will prevent overwatering and root rot. **Don't forget a saucer or tray!** Don't leave water resting in a tray/saucer for more than 24 hours!