

POINSETTIA CARE GUIDE

TIPS & TRICKS



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DECEMBER & HOLIDAY SEASON CARE

LIGHTING Place your poinsettia by a well-lit window where it can get sufficient sunlight (east-facing window, if possible). Avoid direct contact with the window pane.

WATERING Water the poinsettia with room-temperature water whenever the soil feels dry or the leaves start to wilt. Allow the water to drain out the bottom, but do not let the plant sit in water.

TEMPERATURE & HUMIDITY Poinsettias prefer warm rooms with temperatures between 65-75°F. Keep away from drafty locations or fireplaces. Dramatic temperature drops will cause wilting.

INTERESTING FACT What most people consider the flower is actually a group of modified leaves (bracts).

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YEAR-ROUND CARE & REBLOOMING

JAN-MAR

Keep poinsettias by a well-lit window. Water whenever the soil feels dry.

APRIL

Gradually decrease watering over a week or two, and move into a dark room kept at 60°F.

MID-MAY

Repot and place back near a well-lit window.

JUNE

Move your poinsettia to a partially shaded location outside.

JULY

Pinch back each new stem by one inch.

MID-AUG

Bring your poinsettia indoors and place by a window with direct sunlight.

SEPT

Keep the temperature above 65°F, and continue watering and fertilizing your poinsettia.

OCT

During the day, place your plant near a well-lit window. Between 5pm-8am, keep your plant in total darkness.

NOV

Flower buds should start to appear around the last week of November. Apply the usual care for poinsettias.

PET TOXICITY Information on poinsettia toxicity can be found on the ASPCA website.