

POLKA DOT BEGONIA

REGION OF ORIGIN

South America



LIGHT

Polka dot begonias thrive in bright indirect light, ideally with an eastern exposure. If placed near a west or south-facing window, be sure to shield them from prolonged direct sunlight to prevent leaf burn.



SOIL

For tropical plants we recommend our Rooted Goods All-Purpose Potting Mix, Uncle Mike's Organic Potting Mix, or Espoma's Organic Potting Mix. All three options are great choices for ensuring healthy growth and thriving plants.



WATER

Sensitive to overwatering, Polka dot begonias prefer to dry out slightly between waterings. Use distilled or reverse osmosis water to prevent browning of leaf edges caused by excessive minerals in tap water.



FERTILIZER

We recommend fertilizers like Espoma Organic Indoor! Houseplant Food, Jack's Houseplant Special, or Organic Plant Magic. These options provide essential nutrients to keep your plants vibrant and thriving.



TEMPERATURE

Maintain temperatures between 65-75°F (18-24°C) during the day and slightly cooler at night to keep your begonia happy and healthy.



ISSUES + FIXES

Watch out for common pests like mealybugs, thrips, and spider mites. Regularly inspect and clean the leaves with a damp cloth to deter these nuisances.



PRUNING & PROPAGATION

In spring, consider dividing your begonia at the rhizome for propagation. Stem cuttings are also viable, but ensure high humidity to aid rooting.



PET FRIENDLY ?

Polka dot begonias are not safe for pets, so be sure to keep them out of reach of curious paws!