

# CHRISTMAS BERRY

## REGION OF ORIGIN

East Asia, including Japan and Taiwan



### LIGHT

Christmas Berry loves bright, indirect light, so placing it near a window with filtered sunlight is perfect. Too much direct sun can scorch its leaves, so if you're working with a sunny spot, you might want to use a sheer curtain to soften the light.



### SOIL

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



### WATER

Keep the soil consistently moist but not waterlogged. Water when the top inch of soil feels dry. Reduce watering during the plant's dormant period.



### 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 60°F and 80°F (15°C to 27°C). Avoid exposure to temperatures below 45°F (7°C) and protect from drafts.



### ISSUES + FIXES

Susceptible to pests like spider mites and mealybugs. Regularly inspect the plant and treat infestations promptly with natural or chemical remedies.

Overwatering can lead to root rot; ensure proper drainage and avoid waterlogged soil.



### PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Prune in early spring before flowering to maintain shape and encourage bushier growth. Propagate via seeds sown in spring or stem cuttings taken in spring or summer.



### PET FRIENDLY ?

No, *Ardisia crenata* is not pet-safe and is toxic to cats, dogs, and other animals if ingested. To protect your pets, keep this plant out of paws reach.