∲ Mahoney's

HOUSEPLANT CARE GUIDES

Hoya carnosa

WAX PLANT

¢ Light

Wax Plants thrive in bright, indirect light. They can handle a bit of direct sunlight, but too much can burn its leaves. While it can tolerate low light, it may not bloom and will grow slower.



We recommend using fertilizers like Espoma Organic Cactus Plant Food, Jack's All Purpose, or Organic Plant Magic. These options provide essential nutrients to keep your plants vibrant and thriving.



Start by cutting a healthy 4-6 inch stem just below a leaf node, removing the lower leaves to expose the bare stem. Place the cutting in a glass of water, changing the water every few days. After 2-4 weeks, roots should begin to form. Once the cutting has developed strong roots, you can transplant it into a small pot



SOIL

We recommend using a mixture of 1/3 Rooted Goods All-Purpose Potting Mix or Uncle Mike's Organic Potting Mix with 2/3 coarse garden sand, perlite, or small pre-rinsed gravel. Another excellent option is Espoma's Cactus soil.

Wax Plants thrive in warm temperatures, ideally between 60-85°F (16-29°C). They prefer a stable, warm environment and should be kept away from cold drafts and heaters. Avoid placing them in areas where temperatures drop below 50°F (10°C), as this can cause stress to the plant.



Wax Plants are generally considered pet-friendly! They are non-toxic to cats, dogs, and other animals, making it a safe choice for homes with pets. In fact, many animals seem to find the plant naturally unappealing, but it's still a good idea to keep them out of reach to prevent them from nibbling on the leaves.

Australia

REGION OF ORIGIN

Native to Eastern Asia and

WATER

Wax Plants prefer to be kept on the drier side. Water when the top 1-2 inches of soil feel dry to the touch. Be sure to water thoroughly, but ensure the pot has proper drainage to prevent waterlogged soil. Always empty the saucer after watering to prevent root rot.



They may occasionally encounter pests such as mealybugs and aphids. Regularly inspect your plant for signs of infestation and treat promptly with natural or chemical remedies.