

# DWARF UMBRELLA TREE

## REGION OF ORIGIN

Taiwan, China



### LIGHT

Position your Schefflera in bright, indirect light for optimal growth. They can tolerate some direct sunlight but avoid prolonged exposure to prevent leaf scorching. Sunlight from the south, east, or west would be ideal.



### 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.



### PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Prune to remove yellowing leaves or to shape the plant, encouraging bushier growth. Propagate Schefflera through stem cuttings in warmer months. Use bottom heat to encourage rooting and plant the cuttings in a mix of moist peat and perlite.



### 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. Ensure the pot has drainage holes to prevent water from pooling, which can lead to root rot.



### TEMPERATURE

Maintain a comfortable temperature range of 60-85°F (16-29°C). Avoid placing your Schefflera near air conditioners, heaters, or drafty windows, as sudden temperature fluctuations can stress the plant.



### PET FRIENDLY ?

Schefflera is toxic to pets if ingested. Keep it out of reach of curious paws!



### WATER

Keep the soil evenly moist, letting the top inch dry out between waterings. Use room-temperature water to avoid shocking the roots. Be careful not to overwater, as Schefflera plants are sensitive to soggy soil, which can lead to root rot. Water less frequently (about every 2-3 weeks) in the cooler months as growth slows.



### ISSUES + FIXES

Keep an eye out for pests like mealybugs, scale, and aphids. To prevent pests, regularly wipe the leaves with a damp cloth to remove dust and discourage infestations. If they do occur, treat with natural or chemical remedies according to package directions.