Weeping Fig

Region of Origin

Southeast Asia and Australia

LIGHT

Weeping Fig will thrive best in a room with bright, indirect sunlight. Think of a north or east facing window that receives softer morning light, protecting the plant from prolonged, intense direct sunlight.

SOIL

For tropical plants, we recommend using 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

Ficus like to stay evenly moist but do not like soggy, oversaturated soil. Water enough to prevent the soil from completely drying out. Make sure the pot drains well, and never allow it to sit in standing water, as this can cause leaf drop and root rot. Sudden drying out may also cause the plant to drop leaves.

FERTILIZER

Ficus benjamina requires regular fertilizing throughout the growing season. 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

Ficus trees prefer nighttime temperatures between 65˚F-70˚F and daytime temperatures between 75˚F-85˚F. Avoid placing Ficus near drafts, air conditioners, heaters or open windows to prevent stress from temperature fluctuations.

ISSUES + FIXES

Watch for pests such as aphids, mealybugs, scale or spider mites. Regular inspection and cleaning helps to keep leaves clean and make pests easier to spot. If signs of infestation appear, treat promptly with natural or chemical remedies. Weeping Figs may also drop leaves in response to sudden changes in light, temperature, watering, or location.

PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Propagation is best done with young, non-woody shoots. Cut 6-12" from the tip and remove all but 2-3 of the topmost leaves. The cutting can then be placed in suitable soil, perlite, moss or water, with or without using rooting hormone. Keep the cutting out of direct sun while rooting and maintain high humidity.

PET FRIENDLY ?

Ficus benjamina is not pet-safe. If ingested, it may cause symptoms such as drooling, vomiting, difficulty swallowing, and irritation of the mouth and throat. To protect your pets, keep the plant out of reach or choose pet-friendly alternatives.