String of Pearls

Region of Origin

Southern Africa

LIGHT

Requires bright, indirect light. An east-facing window with gentle morning sun is ideal. Near a south- or west-facing window, protect the plant from intense afternoon sun, which can scorch the foliage.

SOIL

To ensure your String of Pearls thrive, we recommend using a mixture of two-thirds Rooted Goods All-Purpose Potting Mix or Uncle Mike's Organic Potting Mix with one-third coarse garden sand, perlite, or small pre-rinsed gravel. Another great option is Espoma's Organic Cactus mix.

WATER

Allow the soil to dry significantly between waterings. Water thoroughly and allow the plant to drain. A good indicator that they are thirsty is when the pearls begin to wrinkle and pucker.

FERTILIZER

For succulents, 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.

TEMPERATURE

String of Pearls prefers temperatures between 65˚F – 80˚F spring through fall and cooler dormancy period of 55˚F – 60˚F during winter.

ISSUES + FIXES

Overwatering is the primary concern for String of Pearls. Use a container with drainage holes and allow the soil to dry appropriately between waterings. Wilting or shriveling may result from either too much or too little water, so check the soil before watering. Watch for aphids, mealybugs, fungus gnats, and other common houseplant pests.

PRUNING & PROPAGATION

Don't hesitate to prune long, leggy stems, particularly if they have lost leaves. This will encourage the plant to branch and fill out. Propagating is easily done with trimmed stems by either laying them on top of a well draining soil mix or removing the pearls from the lower couple of inches of a stem and inserting that section into the soil.

PET FRIENDLY ?

String of Pearls is toxic to pets and people and can cause vomiting or diarrhea if ingested. The plant's sap can also cause skin irritation or rash for some individuals. It is best to keep them out of reach of curious children and pets.