

HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR

String of Hearts Variegated *Care Guide*

Ceropegia woodii f. variegata

DID YOU KNOW?

String of Hearts Variegated is native to *southern Africa*, where it trails from rocky outcrops. Its delicate heart-shaped leaves feature stunning pink, cream, and green variegation that intensifies with bright light, making it one of the most coveted trailing plants.

BEFORE YOU START · POTTING TIP

Every Moontime String of Hearts Variegated is **nursery-grown & pest-free**. Use a well-draining cactus or succulent mix with extra perlite. A pot with drainage is essential. These trailing beauties love to cascade from shelves.

Propagate by **butterfly method or stem cuttings**. Lay cuttings on moist soil and pin at nodes. Roots form quickly in warm conditions. Water propagation also works well for this variety.

LIGHT	WATER	HUMIDITY	TEMP	PET SAFE	DIFFICULTY
Bright Indirect	Dry Fully	40-60%	60-80°F	Non-Toxic	Easy

Light

BRIGHT INDIRECT LIGHT IS ESSENTIAL FOR VARIEGATION. MORE LIGHT MEANS MORE PINK AND CREAM COLORING. SOME DIRECT MORNING SUN IS FINE.

Needs more light than green form to maintain variegation. Low light causes reversion to green.

- Bright indirect is essential
- Low light causes reversion
- Some morning sun is fine
- South or east window works
- More light = more pink

Water

ALLOW SOIL TO DRY COMPLETELY BETWEEN WATERINGS. VARIEGATED FORM IS EVEN MORE SENSITIVE TO OVERWATERING THAN THE GREEN VERSION.

Stores water in leaves and tubers. Overwatering is the #1 killer. Less is always more.

- Let soil dry completely
- Very drought-tolerant
- Never sit in standing water
- Drain fully after watering
- Less water is always safer

Humidity

ADAPTS TO AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD HUMIDITY. NOT FUSSY AT ALL. DOES NOT NEED HIGH HUMIDITY LIKE TROPICAL PLANTS. NO MISTING NEEDED.

Normal home humidity is perfectly fine. No misting needed — can cause rot.

- Average humidity is fine
- Not fussy at all
- No misting needed
- Adapts to any home
- No special needs

Temperature

PREFERS 60-80°F (16-27°C). PROTECT FROM COLD DRAFTS AND FROST. TOLERATES COOLER TEMPS THAN MOST TROPICALS.

Keep warm and away from cold drafts. Tolerates cooler temps than most tropicals.

- No cold drafts
- Keep away from vents
- Warm year-round
- 60-80°F is the sweet spot

Soil

WELL-DRAINING CACTUS OR SUCCULENT MIX. ADD EXTRA PERLITE FOR DRAINAGE. STRING OF HEARTS HATES SITTING IN WET SOIL.

Fast-draining mix prevents root rot. Sandy or gritty soil works great.

- Cactus/succulent mix
- Fast-draining is key
- Add extra perlite
- Sandy or gritty works

Fertilizer

FEED EVERY 4-6 WEEKS IN SPRING AND SUMMER WITH A BALANCED LIQUID FERTILIZER AT HALF STRENGTH. NONE IN FALL AND WINTER.

Light feeding supports healthy growth. Not a heavy feeder — go easy.

- Every 4-6 weeks spring/summer
- Balanced liquid formula
- None in fall/winter
- Half strength is plenty

REPOTTING

Propagate by butterfly method, stem cuttings, or tuber division. Lay cuttings on moist soil and pin at nodes. Roots form quickly in warm conditions.

COMMON PROBLEMS & SOLUTIONS

	CAUSE	SOLUTION
Mushy Leaves	Overwatering causing rot in leaves and tubers.	Let dry completely; reduce watering frequency.
Losing Variegation	Not enough light causing reversion to green.	Move to a brighter spot; increase light gradually.
Leggy Growth	Not enough light causing stretched, sparse vines.	Move to brighter spot; trim and propagate.
Root Rot	Overwatering or poor drainage causing soggy roots.	Improve drainage; reduce watering frequency.
Leaf Drop	Overwatering or sudden temperature changes.	Check watering schedule; keep temps stable.

MOONTIME TIP

String of Hearts Variegated is the pink princess of trailing plants — those delicate hearts with cream and pink splashes look absolutely magical cascading from a shelf. Give it bright light and watch the colors intensify!

PET SAFETY

String of Hearts Variegated is non-toxic to cats and dogs. Safe for homes with pets and children. A great choice for pet-friendly spaces!