

SEED OF THE MONTH:



Common Name: Spider Plant; Airplane Plant

Scientific Name: Chlorophytum comosum

Family: Asparagaceae

Genus: Chlorophytum

Species: C. comosum

Height:

Up to 1ft

w/stems trailing to 3ft

Sun Exposure:

Partial Sun to shade

Bloom Color/Time: Tiny White blooms in the summer

Other Details: Spider Plants or Chlorophytum comosum are native to South Africa and produces a cluster of foot-long variegated leaves from a crown of fleshy roots. What makes the spider plant unique is its ability to produce spiderettes or baby plants that are ready made complete with roots formed at the end of flower stems and assorted branches. It makes an impressive hanging basket house plant for beginners.

Soil Requirements: Well drained soil.

Water Requirements: If top 1 inch of soil is dry, it's time to water. Water once a week. They prefer to dry out between waterings. If the foliage begins to show black tips or a yellow halo you are probably overwatering the plant.

Propagation Methods:

The Spider plant produces long shoots with plantlets dangling from the mother plant that are baby plants that can be replanted.

Known Uses: This is one of the best plants for improving air quality indoors. It has one of the top removal rates of formaldehyde from tainted indoor air, though a large amount of plants is required to truly reap the benefits.

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