

Dracaena surculosa

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Common Names: Florida Beauty, Gold Dust, Spotted Dracaena

Family: Dracaenaceae

Origin: Africa

Growth: Upwards, branching

Light: Low

Foot Candles: 50 - 150

Water: Let dry partially

Humidity: Not required

Temperature: 16°C - 25°C

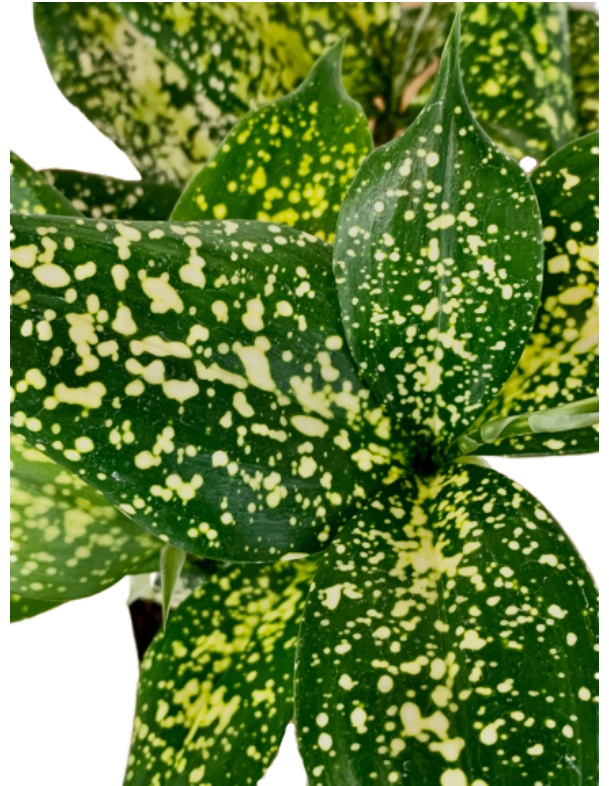
Soil: Regular potting mix

Container: Self-watering planter, living wall

Nutrients: 10-10-10 Monthly

Propagation: Stem cuttings

Interiorscape Use: Desktop plant, interior bed filler

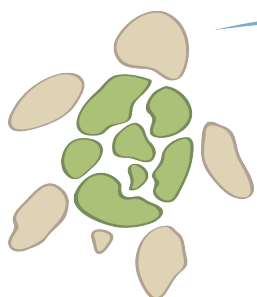


Common Pests: Mealybugs, Aphids, Spider Mites, Scale, Thrips.

Common Issues: Root rot if sitting in water. Cold drafts cause brown tips, full-sun can scorch leaves, too little light can cause stretching. Very susceptible to fluoride.

Comments: An interesting form of Dracaena that will branch out and grow more like a shrub. The speckled pattern often resembles a galaxy or night sky. Flowers more often than other Dracaenas and will produce small-medium sized orange fruit after flowering. The flowers will add some interest but it is mainly grown for foliage. The fruit, as well as the rest of the plant is moderately poisonous.

Toxicity: Non-toxic for humans but for pets it will cause vomiting (occasionally with blood), depression, anorexia, hyper-salivation, and dilated pupils in cats.



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