

Peperomia argyreia

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Common Names: Watermelon Plant

Family: Piperaceae

Origin: South America

Growth: Clumping

Light: Bright, indirect

Foot Candles: 100 - 200

Water: Keep evenly moist, can tolerate short drought

Humidity: Not required.

Temperature: 14°C - 26°C

Soil: Regular potting mix

Container: Self-watering planter, living wall, terrarium

Nutrients: 10-10-10 Monthly

Propagation: Division or leaf cuttings

Interiorscape Use: Reception, living walls, desktop plant



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

Common Issues: Very slight stretching and loss of colour with insufficient light.

Comments: This low-maintenance plant enjoys a wide selection of conditions and does exceptionally well inside terrariums. A fun science project using this plant is removing a leaf and placing it in wet soil. Within a couple months, a new baby plant will emerge from the wound. The leaf can even be sliced up and each slice can potentially produce multiple babies as long as a vein is touching damp soil.

Peperomia come in hundreds of different shapes, sizes, and colours and can easily turn a houseplant lover into a true collector, due to their variation and ease of care.

Peperomia argyreia is especially sought after.

Toxicity: Safe.

