Tradescantia zebrina

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Common Names: Wandering Dude, Wandering Jew, Inch Plant, Cockroach Grass, Striped Trad, Striped Wandering Creeper, Purple Zebra Plant

Family: Commelinaceae

Origin: Central America to Southern Mexico

Growth: Trailing vine
Light: Bright, filtered
Foot Candles: 100 - 200
Water: Keep evenly moist
Humidity: Not required
Temperature: 13°C - 35°C
Soil: Regular potting mix

Container: Hanging basket, self-watering

planter, living wall

Nutrients: 10-10-10 Monthly

Propagation: Cuttings

Interiorscape Use: Filler plant, trailer, living walls, low-maintenance

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

Common Issues: Root rot when sitting in water. Leaves will crisp with too much

light. Plant may lose vibrant colour with insufficient light.

Comments: One of the easiest plants to propagate. Typically grown for the foliage but can still flower indoors with small, bright purple flowers. The horticultural community is moving away from the common name 'Wandering Jew' in favour of either 'Inch Plant' or 'Wandering Dude.' The name 'Inch Plant' is derived from the fact that the plants leaf nodes are exactly one inch apart.

Toxicity: Safe.



