



How to Care for Indoor Plants - Checklist

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Legend:

Weekly = every 7 days; Monthly = every 4 weeks; Seasonally = per season

Light

- ☐ Map your windows: south = brightest; north = lowest light.
- ☐ Place bright-light plants near east or south windows; shade lovers farther back.
- ☐ Rotate pots 90 degrees weekly for even growth.

Watering

- ☐ Check soil before watering; water when the top 2 to 3 cm are dry.
- ☐ Water deeply until a little drains; empty saucers after 10 minutes.
- ☐ Adjust in winter: water less often but never let the rootball go bone dry.

Feeding (growing season)

- ☐ Use a balanced liquid fertilizer at half strength monthly from spring to early autumn.
- ☐ Skip feeding in winter unless plants are actively growing under lights.

Humidity and temperature

- ☐ Keep most tropics at 18 to 27 C (65 to 80 F).
- ☐ Raise humidity with a humidifier or pebble tray; group plants together.

Repotting

- ☐ Check roots in spring; repot when circling or pot-bound.
- ☐ Move up only one pot size; use a mix with drainage.

Cleaning and grooming

- ☐ Dust leaves monthly with a soft damp cloth.
- ☐ Prune yellow or damaged leaves with clean scissors.

Pest check (weekly)

- ☐ Inspect leaf undersides and stems for mites, scale, and aphids.
- ☐ Quarantine new plants for 2 weeks.

Safety and placement

- ☐ Keep soil and cords away from children and pets.
- ☐ Avoid hot radiators and cold drafts.

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