

2018 Annual Plant Sale Houseplant/Tropical Plant List

Items in blue type are available in limited quantities.

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	<i>Acalypha wilkesiana</i> 'Kilauea'		Full sun to part shade	Medium water	Native to the South Pacific. Can grow 3-6' tall & wide. Will require pruning if kept indoors, if put outdoors in the garden, frost will kill it. Water freely during active growth, but moderately in winter.
	<i>Alternanthera bettzickiana</i> 'Red carpet'	Calico Plant	Bright light	Medium; keep consistently moist but allow top 2 inches of soil to dry in winter	Native to moist, tropical areas. Can grow to 3' tall; indoor houseplant or planted outside in the summer as a ground cover (will spread 18-23"). To encourage bushing out, pinch top growth. To rejuvenate an older plant, cut down to 3-4" above soil level.
	<i>Amomum cardamomum</i>	Cardamom	Part shade/Indirect light	Medium to high water (keep moist)	Prefers temperatures in 72-80 F range. Keep away from doors and windows to prevent drafts. Mist to provide enough humidity. Spring-Fall, water daily; Winter, water every other day.
	<i>Anthurium giganteum</i>	Giant Anthurium	Part shade, indirect light	Medium, allow to dry between through waterings.	Prefers temperatures in 60 - 90 F range, will not tolerate below 60 F.

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	Aspidistra elatior	Cast-Iron Plant	Semi Shade (will do well in low light indoors)	Medium (keep moist Spring-Fall; reduce water in Winter)	Nearly indestructible, fairly low maintenance. Native to forests of Japan. Prefers temperatures in 60 -80 F range. Repot every 1-2 years.
	Bromeliad neoregalia		Indirect light, moderate shade (can be acclimated to higher levels of gentle light, eastern morning exposure)	Keep water in the central cup but flush frequently to prevent bacteria & odors.	An air plant that relies on roots to anchor. Prefers temperature of 55 F and higher, can tolerate as low as 40 F. Do not repot mature plants. After it flowers, it will produce plantlets around the base of the mature plant. Plantlets will form their own roots & can be separated from the mother plant. This is best done when the plant let is about 1/3 the size of the mother plant. Pot plantlets into 4 - 6 " pots.
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	Calathea sp.		Indirect, dappled light.	Medium (keep moist)	Native to tropical regions in the Americas. Prefers tropical humidity and temperatures above 60F. Water when top inch of soil feels dry.
	Calathea metallica		Indirect, dappled light.	Medium (keep moist)	Native to South America. Relatively low maintenance indoor plant. Protect from freezing temperatures and draft. Water when top inch of soil feels dry.
	Chamaedorea stolonifera	Stolon Palm	Indirect Light, prefers shade	Medium	Native to Mexico. Will tolerate some cold, 28F. Medium growth rate, will establish and fill in the pot. Can grow up to 6' tall. Fairly easy care.
	<i>Chlorophytum comosum</i>	Spider Plant	Bright light	Medium to high water	After flowering, mature plants produce plantlets that can be removed and rooted into a new plant. Requires bright, indirect light.

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	<i>Chlorophytum orchidastrum</i>	Fire Bush Lily	Indirect light, part shade	Medium, keep moist.	Native to subtropical Africa & Asia. Prefers temperatures of 65 - 75 F. Water about once a week, do not allow soil to dry completely, but do not allow to sit in standing water, either. Will produce a spikey flower stalk in the center.
	<i>Crinum</i>	Southern Swamp Lily	Full sun or filtered light	Medium to high water.	Keep soil moist but do not allow plant to sit in standing water. Flowers in late summer, producing white, fragrant blooms. Prefers warm temperatures, does not tolerate cold.
	<i>Cyclamen 'Sierra Synchro Scarlet'</i>		Bright, indirect light (east or west facing window).	Medium water (bottom water, allow & allow soil to dry slightly between waterings).	Preferred temperature range of 50-70 F; blooms will last longer if kept at 50-60 F. Avoid cold & hot air drafts. Will go dormant--leaves will start turning yellow & die. When this happens, stop watering, allow to dry completely, move to shade for 2-3 months. Can re-bloom after 2-3 months of dormancy.
	<i>Diffenbachia</i>		Low light (part shade)	Medium	Keep soil moist and mist to maintain humidity. Toxic to children & pets (due to high level of calcium oxylate).

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	<p><i>Dracaena sanderiana</i></p>	<p>Lucky Bamboo</p>	<p>Indirect light</p>	<p>Medium water (keep moderately moist).</p>	<p>Not a true bamboo. Cannot tolerate temperatures under 50 F and grows best in potting soil.</p>
	<p><i>Fagraea bertoana</i></p>	<p>lei shrub</p>	<p>Full sun; can tolerate part sun</p>	<p>Medium water.</p>	<p>Native to the South Pacific and eastern, tropical Australia. Grows slowly but can grow as large as 40' tall, will require pruning to keep as an indoor plant. Prefers humidity. Can produce flowers that are typically used in Hawaiian leis.</p>
	<p><i>Ferns sp.</i></p>		<p>Bright, filtered light (not direct)</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Keep soil moist, do not allow to dry out, mist in the mornings to maintain humidity but do not allow to sit in water.</p>
	<p><i>Fittonia</i></p>	<p>Mosaic Plant</p>	<p>Indirect or dappled light</p>	<p>Medium (keep moist and mist for humidity)</p>	<p>Prefers temperature of 70 F but can tolerate from 65 F to 85 F.</p>

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	<p><i>Heliconia psittacorum</i></p>	<p>Parrot's Beak</p>	<p>Bright light, direct sun</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Preferred temperature range of 65-80 F; can tolerate night temperatures of 55 F. Member of the banana family. Can grow 3-4'. Blooms in Spring-Summer but requires bright light to bloom. Always keep moist, do not allow soil to dry out between waterings.</p>
	<p><i>Hypoestes 'confetti'</i></p>	<p>Polka Dot Plant</p>	<p>Bright light</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Keep soil moist but reduce watering in winter. Will produce small lavender flowers, pinch these off & shoots 15" or taller to prolong plant life. Likes humidity, so mist occasionally.</p>
	<p><i>Monstera obliqua</i></p>	<p>Swiss Cheese Plant</p>	<p>Prefers full sun, but can be adapted to part shade.</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Grows best in warm temperatures with high humidity. This is a vining plant; will look great trellised or grown in a hanging basket. Prolific grower that can handle regular pruning.</p>

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	<p><i>Murraya paniculata</i></p>	<p>Orange Jasmine</p>	<p>Full sun</p>	<p>Medium (keep moist; but allow to dry slightly between waterings).</p>	<p>Tropical tree that can grow to 20' but also does well indoors as a container plant. With regular pruning, can be kept to 3'. Must have at least 6 hours of sun per day, best to keep in a south facing window in the winter.</p>
	<p><i>Musa</i></p>	<p>Banana</p>	<p>Full to part sun</p>	<p>Medium to high water</p>	<p>Tropical, prefers warm temperatures and moisture. Can grow to 6'.</p>
	<p><i>Philodendron mandaianum</i></p>	<p>Red leaf philodendron</p>	<p>Bright, indirect light.</p>	<p>Medium (keep moist)</p>	<p>Prefers warm temperature, at least 65 F. Native to the West Indies and the jungles of Central and South America.</p>
	<p><i>Philodendron scandens</i></p>	<p>Heart Leaf Philodendron</p>	<p>Bright, indirect light (can tolerate medium to low light)</p>	<p>Medium (keep moist)</p>	<p>Prefers temperature of 66F - 75F. Inner sap is an irritant.</p>

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	<i>Pothos sp.</i>		Indirect, filtered sunlight to low light	Medium, but allow to dry between waterings.	Vining plant, can grow 6 - 10' indoors.
	<i>Spathoglottis plicata</i>	Ground orchid	Full sun to light shade.	Medium (keep moist)	Terrestrial orchid that does best in soil. Good beginner orchid, relatively easy care. Will require fertilizing in growing season--Spring to Summer. Prefers temperatures in 75-90 F, no lower than 60 F. Can produce white or purple flowers.
	<i>Syngonium podophyllum</i>	Arrowhead Plant	Bright, indirect light.	Medium	Prefers temperatures in 65-70 F range; will not tolerate temperatures below 40 F. Keep away from fireplaces & heat vents. Water when top of soil feels dry. Trailing habit makes it a good option for hanging baskets, but prune regularly to keep the middle full. *Produces sap that irritates skin.
	<i>Tradescantia setcreasea pallida</i>	Purple plush	Part sun or bright light	Medium to high water	Will grow 10-12', pinch sections back as needed so that plant branches and takes on a bushier shape. Stems re-root easily in soil.
	<i>Tradescantia spatheaceae</i>	Oyster Plant	Bright, indirect light.	Medium	From mid-Autumn to Spring, water only when top 2 inches of soil feel completely dry. In Summer, water when top 1 inch of soil feels dry.

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	<p><i>Tradescantia zebrina</i></p>	<p>Silver Inch Plant</p>	<p>Part sun or bright light</p>	<p>Medium to high water</p>	<p>Vigorous vining growth, pinch sections back as needed, vines are easily re-rooted in soil.</p>
	<p><i>Trimezia martinicensis</i></p>	<p>walking iris</p>	<p>Full to part shade</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Produces bright yellow flowers year round. Not cold hardy, so best grown as an indoor plant in the Chicago area. Can take outdoors in the summer.</p>
	<p><i>Vanilla planifolia</i></p>	<p>vanilla orchid</p>	<p>Bright, indirect light</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Prefers warm temperature and high humidity. Preferred daytime temperature range of 80-85 F with night time temperature range of 65-75 F. Vining plant that will require support. Inner sap is an irritant--wear gloves when pruning.</p>