

# Keeping Houseplants Alive: A How-To Guide



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Do you love plants but struggle to keep them alive and thriving? This guide is here to help you care for your plants so they can be enjoyed for years to come.

## Flowers



Flowers are ideal for someone whose space has mostly artificial light and is rather humid.

1. *Water* once or twice a week.
2. *Choose* a place with decent natural light as they need at least an hour of sun a day.
3. *Prune* the plant by cutting off each dry or faded bloom.

## Succulents



Succulents are ideal for those living in a bright and humid space.

1. *Water* when the soil is dry.
2. *Choose* a spot with lots of direct sun as this plant requires 6 hours of light a day.
3. *Clean* the dust from the stem and branches.

## Ferns



Ferns thrive in a bright environment and also with lots of water.

1. *Water* a little everyday to keep the soil moist.
2. *Choose* a spot with indirect rather than direct sunlight that the plant can sit in all day.
3. *Prune* by removing the dead parts of the fern.

## Vines



Vines love sunlight and need to be placed in a sunny room. They do not require much water though.

1. *Water* when the top 3 inches of soil is dry.
2. *Choose* a spot with lots of sun as it will need at least 6 hours of light a day.
3. *Prune* the plant each spring to promote growth.