



FICUS CARE GUIDE

LIGHT

Most Ficus species thrive in high light environments. While bright indirect light will do the trick, these plants enjoy a few hours of bright and even direct sunlight! If your Ficus is not receiving enough light, you may begin to notice yellowing and dropping of the leaves. A good example is the Fiddle Leaf Fig - known to be on the finicky side, these plants are well-known to drop leaves when their care needs are not consistently met.

WATERING

Allow your Ficus to dry halfway in the pot between waterings. These plants will benefit from short periods of dryness, because it mimics their natural environment. Their roots will adapt and become stronger when forced to grow, looking for moisture. Be careful to not let your plant sit in standing water for too long or you may begin to see signs of root rot.

SOIL

Ficus enjoy a chunky soil mix with water and nutrient-retaining amendments, such as coco coir, and substrates that will allow good drainage.

TEMPERATURE

Do not allow these plants to be in temperatures below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. These plants will thrive in temperatures of 65-85 degrees Fahrenheit.

FERTILIZING

Ficus are heavy feeders and enjoy being fertilized often! During the growing season, you can get away with fertilizing with every watering. In the off-season, try fertilizing every other time or using a slow-release fertilizer like Osmocote.

PESTS

Ficus are known to be victim to multiple types of pests. As with any houseplant, it is important to clean the leaves to physically remove infestations or prevent potential ones. You can do this by sticking your plant in the shower to give them a rinse and then use heavily diluted dish soap water to thoroughly clean each leaf and/or use Neem oil to give them a beautiful, natural, long-lasting shine!