



For the joy of gardening!

Estabrook's

FOLIAGE CRASSULA CARE

LIGHT

Foliage crassulas, including Tarantula, jade necklace and string of buttons, need abundant bright light. Give gentle direct sun after gradual acclimation, with protection from scorching midday heat behind glass. Long gaps between leaves or weak, leaning stems can indicate too little light.

WATERING

Let the potting mix dry between thorough waterings. Allow excess water to escape through the drainage holes and empty the saucer. Fleshy leaves store moisture, so avoid frequent small sips or constantly damp roots. Water much less often during slow winter growth.

SOIL

Use a gritty, fast-draining cactus and succulent mix in a container with drainage holes. Add perlite or horticultural grit if the mix remains wet too long. Choose a pot only slightly larger than the root ball, keeping leaf bases clear of damp soil.

TEMPERATURE

Comfortable room temperatures and normal household humidity suit these succulents. Protect from frost, cold window glass and drafts. Routine misting is unnecessary. If moved outdoors for summer, introduce stronger light gradually and bring plants inside before chilly autumn nights.

FERTILIZING

Feed sparingly during active spring and summer growth with a balanced or succulent fertilizer at the labeled dilution. Pause feeding while growth is resting. Repot when crowded or the mix no longer drains well. Handle brittle stems gently and avoid rubbing the soft hairs on Tarantula leaves.

PESTS

Inspect leaf joints and sheltered crevices for mealybugs or aphids. Isolate infested plants before using an appropriate labeled treatment. Soft, translucent leaves or darkening stems can signal excess moisture. Check the soil, roots and drainage before adding water to a declining plant.