



For the joy of gardening!

Estabrook's

IVY CARE GUIDE

LIGHT

Grow indoor Hedera ivy in bright, indirect light. Green-leaved plants tolerate some shade; variegated forms need better light to maintain their color. Protect leaves from strong sun through glass. These instructions suit English ivy and large-leaved Canary Island or Algerian ivy grown indoors.

WATERING

Let the top inch of potting mix dry before watering thoroughly. Keep some moisture deeper in the pot, without leaving it soggy. Empty runoff from saucers and decorative pots. Check more often in warm rooms and less often in cool winter conditions.

SOIL

Use a freely draining indoor potting mix and a container with drainage holes. Repot when roots crowd the pot, moving up only slightly in size. Ivy can trail from a basket or grow over a hoop or frame; secure stems loosely as they lengthen.

TEMPERATURE

Choose a cool to moderate room, away from radiators and direct hot air. Avoid frost, abrupt temperature changes and very dry, overheated locations. Large-leaved ivy is less cold tolerant than English ivy. Keep foliage clean and provide gentle air movement around the plant.

FERTILIZING

Ivy needs little fertilizer. If growth is weak and nutrition is needed, use a general-purpose liquid houseplant fertilizer at its label dilution during active growth. Avoid feeding a dry or stressed plant. Trim overly long shoots to encourage a fuller shape and remove dead foliage.

PESTS

Inspect regularly for spider mites and other pests, especially in warm, dry rooms. Isolate affected plants and ask us about treatment. Keep stems off delicate surfaces and use a support where needed. Treat the plant as ornamental and keep it away from chewing pets and children.