REEMS CREEK NURSERY

Ficus lyrata
Fiddle Leaf Fig

A Garden Guide



Native to tropical Western Africa, these gorgeous plants add glamour to any setting. While they can grow 50’ in the wild, most grown indoors in containers will reach around 10’ tall, unless pruned. They can be seen growing along the streets in Lagos, Nigeria - a bright, hot, humid climate. With proper care, they can live 25-50 years. Hardy to zones 10-12.

Light: Ficus lyrata love full sun (6-8 hours of sunlight). They would prefer your sunniest, south-facing window or under a skylight. Supplemental lighting may be used.

Water: They do not like to have their feet wet, so use a high quality, well-draining potting mix and only water when the first few inches of the mix are dry. Water less in winter.

Fertilization: Fertilize during the growing season with houseplant fertilizer.

Maintenance: Rotate the pot 1/4th every week so the plant grows evenly. Gently wipe dust off leaves with a moistened cloth as needed. Dead leaves can be removed at any time. Pruning will help encourage a bushier shape. Repot young plants in spring. For larger, older specimens, every spring remove top few inches of old potting mix and replace with fresh potting mix.

Temperature: 50F or higher. Anything lower will stress and damage them. Version 1.0, Jan 21

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