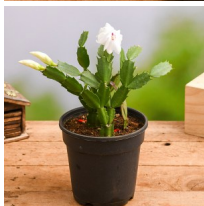


Christmas Cactus, Schlumbergera - Succulent Plant



This popular, winter-flowering houseplant makes a great addition to nearly any indoor setting. Christmas cactus is not only easy to care for but propagates easily too, making it an exceptional candidate for holiday gift giving.

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5 inch (13 cm) Grower Round Plastic Pot (Black)

Description for Christmas Cactus, Schlumbergera

Plant height: 5 - 9 inches (12 - 23 cm)

Plant spread: 4 - 6 inches (10 - 16 cm)

The Thanksgiving cactus is also commonly called the holiday or crab cactus. It grows best in light shade. Full sunlight is beneficial in midwinter, but bright sun during the summer months can make plants look pale and yellow.

Common name(s): Chrismas Cactus, Schlumbergeras, Christmas cactus, Thanksgiving cactus, Crab cactus, Holiday cactus, False Christmas cactus, Yoke Cacti, Easter Cactus

Flower colours: Purple - Pink

Bloom time: Mid-November and January

Max reachable height: 0.75 to 1 feet

Difficulty to grow: Easy to grow

Planting and care

The Christmas cactus is easily propagated by cutting a short Y-shaped segment from the stem tips. Make certain, however, that the cutting is taken from healthy plant foliage only. Plant the segment approximately a quarter of its length deep in the slightly sandy soil. Moisten evenly and place the cutting in a well-lit area, staying away from any direct sunlight.

To root cuttings for new plants, cut back shoots from the tips, cut at the second joint of each tip. The cutting should show signs of growth within a few weeks, at which time the plant can be transferred to another container, if desired, with a looser potting soil mix of compost, loam, and sand.

Sunlight: Full Sun to Partial Shade

Soil: Well-drained soil

Water: Dry to medium

Temperature: 68 degrees F

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Caring for Christmas Cactus

- Keep them potbound in sandy soil.
- Water only when the soil is completely dry.
- Provide some humidity to the environment.
- Do not worry if some of the buds drop off, it is natural for the plant to lose a few.
- Keep the temperature above 70 F in the daytime, from 55 degrees F to 65 degrees F at night.

Typical uses of Christmas Cactus

Special features: In its native area, *Schlumbergera truncata* is grown outdoors as an epiphyte or in rock gardens. In cooler climates, this plant can be grown in baskets or pots for brightly-lit window sills. It is sold primarily around the holiday season as a gift or decorative item.

Culinary use: NA

Ornamental use: The plant is used for an ornamental purpose.

Medicinal use: NA

References

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