

## Calathea Ornata - Plant



Calathea is a genus of plants belonging to the family Marantaceae. Maranta have some of the most beautiful, most decorative leaves in the plant kingdom. The popular M. tricolor has deep green, velvety leaves with yellow splotches down the midrib and arching red veins traveling to the leaf margins. They are fairly common as houseplants, but not necessarily easy to keep growing over the long-term

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### Description

Calathea zebra plants are natives of Brazil and their bright green leaves can be boldly striped in white, yellow or pink in a striking feather-like pattern that is sure to catch the eye.

**Common name:** Zebra plant.

**Height:** 3-6 feet.

**Difficulty level:** Easy.

### Planting & Care

**Sunlight:** Diffused light.

**Soil:** Holds moisture but is also well draining. A good potting mix consists of one part soil, two parts peat moss and two parts perlite.

**Water:** Regular small amounts of water during the growing seasons as soon as the surface starts to dry up.

**Temperature:** Temperatures above 55 F. (13 C.) to survive and temperatures around 70 F. (21 C.) to thrive.

**Fertilizer:** Fertilize occasionally with a half strength solution of liquid fertilizer.

### Care:

- Wet feet is probably the major cause of failure when growing zebra indoor plants.
- A lack of water, however, will cause leaves to curl.

- Humidity is the next problem to be conquered when growing zebras indoors.
- Plants should be misted several times a week.

Use

**Ornamental use:**

- They are showpiece to any indoor garden.

**Reference:**

<http://www.gardeningknowhow.com/houseplants/zebra-plant/calathea-zebra-houseplant.htm> <http://www.ourhouseplants.com/plants/calathea>