



HELLO, MY NAME IS

# WaterMelon Peperomia

... that's Mr Melon to you!

PEPEROMIA ARGYREIA  
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## Get to know me

Like my relative Emerald Ripple, I'm also little, about 20cm tall when fully grown but what I lack in size I make up for with my spectacular foliage which obviously looks like the rind of a watermelon. Each one of my leaves is propped up by my handsome, watermelon red stems! My flowers are pretty average but who cares!

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## What I like

### POSITION



Position – I'm happy in bright indirect light to partial shade. Don't put me too close to a West or North facing window and I'll do fine!

### TEMPERATURE



Temperature – I like warm, humid places like most rainforest understory plants. Make sure you keep me inside if the ambient temperature is likely to drop below 10oC (18 – 24oC is my happy place!).

### WATER



Water – Let the top centimeter or two of soil in my pot to dry out before watering me again in the growing season (Spring and Summer). In the colder months let me dry out much more before watering again. Never allow me to sit in water!

### FERTILIZER



Fertilizer – A soluble fertilizer formulated for indoor plants applied monthly at half strength is all the fertilizer I need through the growing season. Don't worry about fertilizing me through autumn and winter.

### RE - POTTING



Repotting – I like to be cozy in my pot so I shouldn't really need repotting for ages but if you do please do so in the spring months. I need excellent drainage so a mix made up of 2/3 peat moss, to 1/3 perlite is great. Or a good commercial potting mix with a handful of perlite and propagation sand thrown in.

## What I don't like

### COLD



I don't like the cold (anything < 10°C) and don't let me stay soggy as I can be susceptible to root rot!



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