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***Aeschynanthus* “Lipstick Plant” Care Sheet (also works for *Columnea* species)**

Light: Aeschynanthus prefer filtered sun or intense bright light - always the brighter the better. Avoid prolonged hot sun exposure as this can burn the leaves. Aeschynanthus are adaptable, and new growth will become accustomed to the light exposure it is growing with.

Water: Water thoroughly, but infrequently, allowing the soil to become dry and airy in-between watering. Avoid any standing or excess water below.

Environment: Aeschynanthus are naturally found partially epiphytic, so it's important they're never kept too wet and that a light, airy potting mix is used for growing. Clean out any spent leaves and debris to allow ample air flow between the leaves and vines. Occasionally rinse the leaves but typically avoid getting the leaves wet.

Toxicity: Non-Toxic

Of Note*:

- With sufficient light, Aeschynanthus will produce tubular flowers which emerge as they develop, giving the plant its common nickname “Lipstick Vine.”

*When planting in a pot without a drainage hole, avoid over watering by estimating 25% of the container's overall volume, with appropriate drainage materials incorporated when planting.