

Ficus triangularis Care Guide

Common Name: Ficus triangularis

Scientific Name: *Ficus triangularis*

Type: Indoor tropical shrub/tree

Growth Habit: Upright, bushy with striking triangular leaves

Light Requirements

- Prefers **bright, indirect light**.
 - Can tolerate some **direct morning or late afternoon sun**.
 - Avoid harsh midday sun to prevent leaf burn.
 - Low light can cause leggy growth and loss of leaf vibrancy.
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Watering

- Water when the **top 1–2 inches of soil feel dry**.
 - Keep soil evenly moist but **not soggy**.
 - Reduce watering in winter.
 - Ensure pot has good drainage to prevent root rot.
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Temperature & Humidity

- Thrives in **65–80°F (18–27°C)**.
 - Avoid cold drafts and temperatures below **55°F (13°C)**.
 - Prefers **moderate humidity**; increase humidity with misting or a pebble tray if air is dry.
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Soil & Repotting

- Use a **well-draining indoor potting mix**.
 - Repot every 2–3 years or when rootbound.
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Fertilizer

- Feed every 4-6 weeks during the growing season (spring and summer) with a balanced liquid fertilizer diluted to half strength.
 - No fertilizer needed in fall and winter.
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Pruning & Maintenance

- Prune to maintain shape and remove any dead or yellowing leaves.
 - Pinching tips can encourage bushier growth.
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Toxicity

- **Toxic to pets and humans** if ingested — contains irritants that may cause mouth and digestive discomfort.
 - Keep out of reach of children and pets.
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Common Problems

- **Leaf drop:** from sudden temperature changes, drafts, or overwatering.
- **Yellow leaves:** usually due to overwatering or poor drainage.
- **Brown tips:** low humidity or inconsistent watering.
- **Pests:** monitor for spider mites and scale insects.