



Hibiscus

Care Guide



Light

Hibiscus prefer full sun but will tolerate light shade



Water

All hibiscus plants need to be watered thoroughly every couple of days for the first few weeks after planting. After that, water perennial hibiscus twice weekly for the first growing season. Hibiscus prefer moderate to high humidity indoors. Brown edges on leaves, bud drop, or drooping foliage are signs that they lack humidity.



Temperature

Prefers temperature between 65° to 75°F and no lower than 55°F



Food

Hibiscus does best with a fertilizer formulation ratio of 3 - 1 - 4. This is an average amount of nitrogen, a low amount of phosphorus, and a high amount of potassium. Hibiscus like to be fed small amounts often rather than large amounts occasionally, so the very best way to feed them is to use a half-dose of fertilizer every time you water.



Toxicity

Non-toxic to humans and pets



Growers Tips

You can prune just before a warming trend is coming, so that your hibiscus will grow very actively, and the increasing warmth will pull them forward into lush new growth. Pruning just before very cold weather can be so stressful that it can cause severe dieback, and you can lose more of your plant than you want to. But pruning in extreme heat can be equally stressful. The very best time to prune is times of sunny, mild weather.