

Airium tips and additional information

If you notice your air plants' leaves starting to curl or roll (or leaf tips are turning brown), you may be under watering. Soak your plant overnight to help it recover, then move to a more frequent watering schedule.

If the base of your air plant is turning brown and its center leaves are falling out, it is most likely that you have overwatered your plant and it is now rotting. You can't do anything about this, sadly. You may choose to replace your plant.

Air plants do great outside in warm weather, but keep in mind that most of our designs are meant for indoor display. We do not, for example, recommend hanging a glass orb from a tree; it will probably break in the wind. If you do place your design outside, it is likely air plants will need more frequent watering depending on weather in your area. The higher the humidity, the less watering is needed.

Air plants' blooms are diverse, lasting anywhere from a couple of days to a year and ranging across the color spectrum. Please know that most Tillandsia bloom only once, usually between late winter and late summer. Enjoy the bloom while it lasts!

Sometime around blooming, air plants begin producing up to eight mini versions of themselves, called 'pups'. These will shoot off from the outer base of the mother plant, and look distinct from the mother's leaves. If you leave pups to grow, they will form into a clump of air plants that flower, reproduce and die on their own cycles. There are some spectacular examples of Tillandsia clumps if you Google images (rarely, we do sell clumps).

If you prefer individual air plants, remove pups once they are $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ the size of the mother plant. Simply hold mother and pup by their bases, gently twisting downward until separated. Find new homes for the pups to reach maturity.

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