

## QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE	Full to part sun.
USDA HARDINESS ZONES	Not winter hardy. We recommend planting in a container and growing the plants indoors.
PLANT TYPE	Annual/Tropical.
PLANTING DISTANCE	At least 3 inches apart.
CONTAINER SIZE	One plant per 6-inch or larger container.
MATURE HEIGHT / SPREAD	1 to 2 inches tall with a 6 to 10 inch spread.
TIME TO REACH MATURITY	12 months.
FACTS OF NOTE	Fun and interesting. Makes an excellent houseplant. Great for decorative containers.

Thank you for your order!

### PLANT WARRANTY

We warrant perennials for 1 year and annuals for 90 days from the time of the original shipment. If for any reason you are dissatisfied, we will replace your plant with a similar or comparable one, at no charge. If your replacement is not available or it is too late in the season to ship, it will reship the following shipping season.

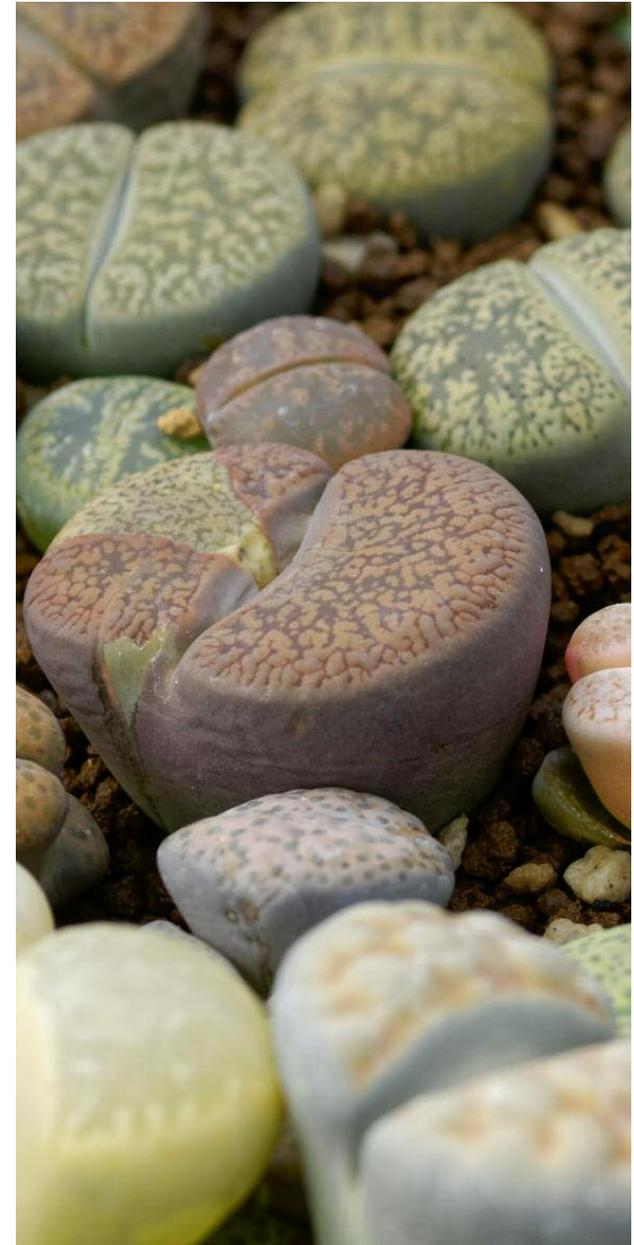
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**Caution: Do not assume any plant is safe to eat. Only parts of plants expressly grown to be eaten should be considered edible. As with any product that is not food, care should be taken to make sure that small children and pets do not ingest any part of a plant that is not expressly grown to be eaten.**

Unless specifically stated, this product is intended for ornamental horticultural use only and is not intended for consumption or ingestion by humans or pets. Most plants are harmless but some contain toxic substances which can cause adverse health effects. Furthermore, some individuals and some animals are sensitive or allergic to certain plants and precautions should be taken to limit or avoid physical contact with particular plants. Some plants have thorns or spines that can be painful if handled.

**In case of ingestion contact a poison control center immediately.  
1-800-222-1222**

## LITHOPS



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## OUT OF THE BOX

### LITHOPS

Your plants have been shipped to you in pots. We urge you to remove them from the shipping box and plant them as soon as possible. Should planting be delayed due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, roll the plastic bag down around each plant and place them near a bright window or other sunny location. Keep them well-watered in their pots until permanently planted. Once planted, they begin setting roots and, as the weather warms, begin showing new growth. Please plant as soon as possible, provide reasonable care and be patient.

The foliage on potted plants may appear slightly wilted or yellow upon arrival. This is due to the stress of shipping and is usually nothing to worry about. Water the plant thoroughly, then place it in a shady location for a few days to allow it to recover.



SHIPPED AS SHOWN

## PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

We strongly recommend planting in a container in order to properly protect your plant from winter damage. Use the following instructions as a guide for container planting.

**Important:** Thoroughly hydrate the plant by watering before planting.

**A** Fill the container with soil to within 4 inches of the top. Remove the plant from its pot, then dig a hole in the soil to insert the lower part of the root ball.

## PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

**B** Once the plant is properly positioned in the pot, begin filling the pot with soil. Work the soil around the root ball with your hands, firming the soil around the plant with your fingers. When the hole is filled, tamp the soil to remove any air pockets.

**C** Water well and, if necessary, adjust the plant so it is upright and add additional soil if needed. Check to be sure the plant is not planted too deeply. If it is, raise the plant carefully and re-firm the soil.



## CONTINUING CARE

### GROWING INDOORS

Lithops adapt well to indoor environments and can be kept as houseplants year-round. Select a room with a window that receives at least four hours of sunlight each day. Lithops that do not receive enough light will lose coloration and grow a slender, elongated stem.

### GROWING OUTDOORS

Lithops may be grown outdoors in dry climates, but should be moved indoors for winter. Place the plants in a room with a sunny window before the nighttime temperature drops below 50°F. Because Lithops cannot tolerate wet conditions, they should be grown indoors year-round in rainy or humid areas.

## CONTINUING CARE (Continued)

Lithops undergo a fascinating yearly growth cycle and require a watering schedule tailored to their seasonal needs. Each plant develops a new pair of leaves and sheds its old foliage each year. New growth occurs from fall to spring with a dormant period during the summer months.

Lithops require little to no watering during summer dormancy. If the plants begin to shrivel, water lightly so the top half inch of soil is moistened. Never water deeply during the dormant period.

In August, begin watering deeply and thoroughly saturate the soil. At this time, you will see the fissure between the leaves separating and a new pair of leaves developing inside. The plants may also flower during this time. Allow the soil to dry out between each watering, and never allow the plants to sit in water.

Do not water during the winter months. During this time, the new leaves draw all necessary moisture from the old leaves. You will notice the new leaves growing and the old leaves shriveling away.

Remove the old leaves from the plant once they have been reduced to thin, papery shells. Resume watering lightly at this time, and water as needed throughout the spring months. Reduce watering as summer approaches to prepare the plant for dormancy, then repeat the cycle. Keep in mind that under-watering is always preferable to over-watering.

WATERING