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GARDENING
SERIES



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Houseplants

HOUSEPLANT WARNING SIGNS

TOO MUCH WATER

Tips and edges of leaves turn brown
Lower leaves turn yellow and fall
Leaves of succulents & cacti become bloated
Soft brown or black area on leaves
Brown papery patches on leaves
Rotting leaves, stems, & rosettes
In resting period leaves turn yellow and fall
New leaves are soft and pale

NOT ENOUGH WATER

Leaves and stems wilt
Lower leaves dry up and fall
Brown crisp spots on leaves
Buds drop off
Flowers die quickly
Leaves of succulents & stems of cacti shrivel
In growing period leaves turn brown
All leaves drop off

NOT WARM ENOUGH

Leaves turn brown
Leaves may curl and fall
Leaves turn yellow during resting period
Leaves drop during resting period
Leaves translucent and shriveled

TOO WARM

Leaves and buds wilt and drop
Leaves droop
Leaves shrivel and turn brown
Flowers fall prematurely
Cacti, succulents, and other plants fail to flower if kept too warm in winter.

OVERFEEDING

Excessive leaf growth and few flowers or none
Soft pappy growth (excess of Nitrogen)
Crisp brown spots on leaves & edges turning brown
White crusty deposits on clay pots

UNDERFEEDING

Pale leaves (lack of Nitrogen)
Weak stems, stunted leaves with purple blotches
Few flowers, edges of leaves brittle and brown
Yellowing of leaves, but not the veins

TOO MUCH LIGHT

Browning leaves and curling tips
Yellow or brown spots or patches on leaves
Leaves turn yellow or dull
Leaves wilt in direct sun or young leaves suffer sun

TOO LITTLE LIGHT

Weak, lanky growth w/ longer gaps between leaves
Variegated leaves lose variegations and turn green
New leaves are smaller
Plant makes no flowers, buds drop before opening

AIR TOO DRY & HOT

Leaves shrivel or wilt
Tips of leaves turn brown
Leaves drop
Buds drop

AIR TOO MOIST

Gray mold on leaves
Rotting stems and leaves of cacti & succulents