



# FACEBOOK LIVE SEMINAR

## Low-Light Houseplants

Don't limit your love of houseplants because you are lacking light! There is a great variety of low-light houseplants ready to go home with you, from snake plants to zz plants, and more, the opportunities are endless no matter how many windows you have. Join Mike Westphal, the Garden Guru as he guides us through types of low-light plants, decorating ideas, care tips, and more.

### Houseplants for Limited Spaces

Indoor gardening is a hobby that anyone can enjoy with low-light houseplants. With a variety of needs and styles, you are bound to find a low-light plant you'll love. Here are some of our favorites along with facts and tips for each plant:

#### Aglaonema -

- These come in colors of variegated greens and greys.
- Two of the best low-light tolerant varieties are the Silver Bay and the Maria.
- You see these plants almost everywhere - in malls, restaurants, and hospitals because of their light tolerance.
- There are also varieties of aglonema that come in hues of pink, red, and white that are more attuned to high-light. Just be aware of this difference when looking into these plants.

#### Sansevieria (Snake Plants) -

- 98% of these plants can tolerate low-light.
- For these plants, it is important to be aware that lower light also means that the plant will soak up water slower, because of this you will water your snake less when grown in lower light.

- Some of the most popular varieties of sansevieria are the Laurentii and Zeylanica for lower light. Note that lighter colored and variegated varieties need higher-light.

#### ZZ Plant -

- The ZZ Plant has dark green, glossy foliage.
- Both traditional and dwarf varieties are tolerant.
- Like the snake plant, you also do not need to water this plant very often.
- Be aware of the black zz plant variety, as this type needs very high-light.

#### Pothos -

- All varieties of pothos are very tolerant of lower light spaces. Some variegated and bright varieties need a little more light than the golden and green varieties, just to keep up their color.
- Water when the top layer of soil is dry.

#### Philodendron Cordatum -

- The traditional "heart-shaped" vine is very tolerant of low-light.
- Water, when very dry, in lower light.

#### Draceanas -

- All varieties of dracaenas are very tolerant of lower light spaces. Some variegated and bright varieties need a little more light to keep up their color.
- Never use tap water on dracaenas. Rain, well, filtered, bottled, and distilled are all ideal for a dracaena.

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### **Anthurium -**

- Both foliage and blooming varieties are very tolerant. Blooming varieties may need a little more light to consistently bloom.
- Water when the top layer of soil is dry.

### **Palms -**

- Ponytail palms are tolerant of medium to lower light conditions. Make sure you never water them with tap water to make sure their ends stay green. Rain, well, filtered, bottled, and distilled water are all ideal for ponytail palms.
- Bamboo palms growth slows when they are in lower light; these plants are great for those corners that are hard to fill in your space.

### **Alpine Schefflera -**

- The Alpine Schefflera has glossy, bright green foliage that grows upright and can grow in lower lighting.
- Water when the top inch of soil becomes dry.

### **Peace Lily -**

- To just achieve foliage, this plant does not need bright light to do well. Water when the top layer of soil feels dry.
- Getting your peace lily to bloom does require higher light.

### **Moth Orchids -**

- This variety of orchid does very well in lower light settings. Bright morning or late afternoon light is best for the moth orchid.
- Water this orchid when the roots turn a silvery white color.
- For more information on moth orchids, check out Mike, the Garden Guru's webinar here.

### **Grow Lights**

If you are worried that the light in your space is too low for the plants that you want, or you are trying to place plants in a room without any windows, you can always supplement your lighting needs with grow lights! For more information on grow light products that we carry and recommend, check out Mike, the Garden Guru's webinar here.

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