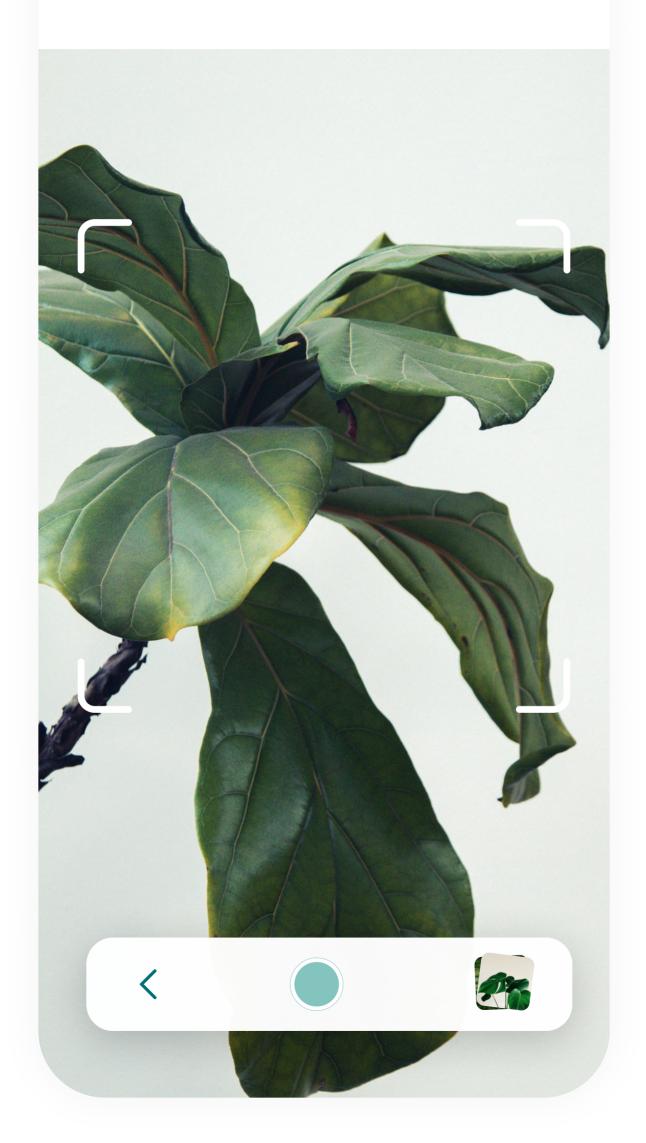
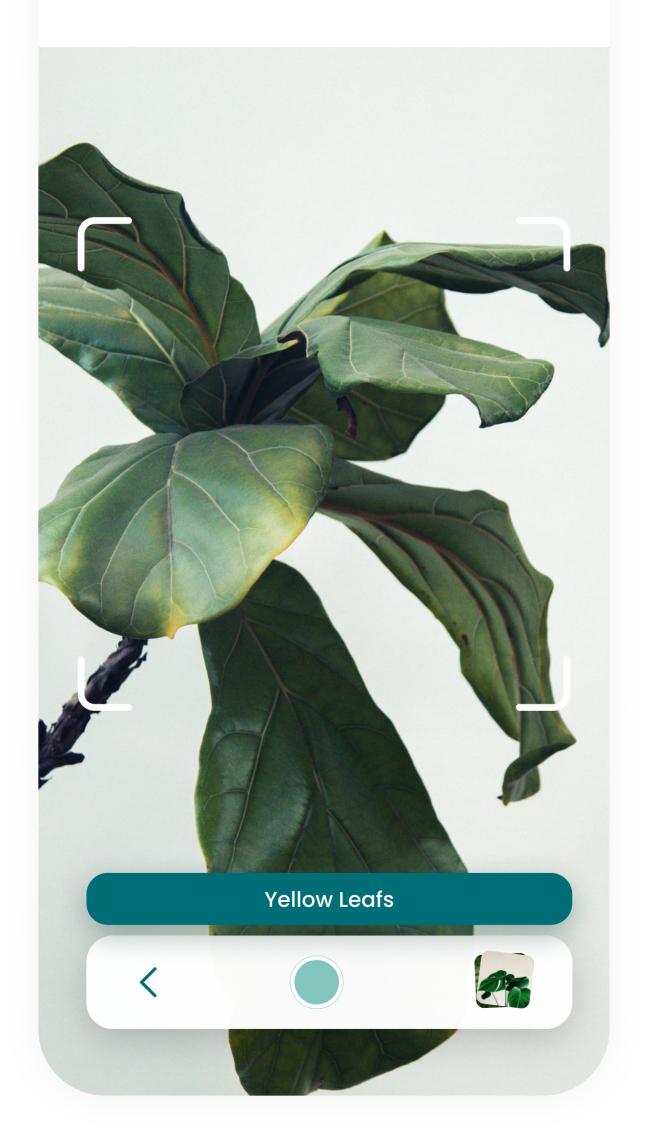


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Yellow Leafs

Information

It is a myth that cacti don't need water. In fact, cacti are very fond of water. While it is not hard to over-water a cactus, too little water will eventually kill a cactus off.

Cacti store water and keep it and they can wait patiently for a long time between watering and so it is better to under-water than to over water. As you can see in the picture at left, this cactus plant has desiccated from lack of water, but once it got water again, it put on new growth. Temperature has a big effect on the rate that desiccation occurs. The hotter it is, the faster it dries up.

Treatment

Well the solution that would seem obvious to fix the problem of desiccation, would be to give your plant a bunch of water. However, it is much better to water only a little bit at first and gradually increase the watering over many weeks. This is largely due to the fact that desiccated plants will have lost many of their roots and will only be able to take up a little water at a time. As the roots grow, it can take in more water. If too much water is given and the roots can't take it all in, the plant will start to rot from sitting in damp soil.







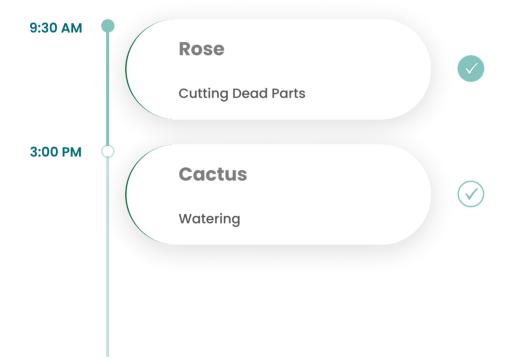




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