

TAKING CARE OF ZZ

Sunlight

- Direct Sunlight is great.
- Brighter light results in faster growth, sturdier stems, well-spaced leaves, and overall healthier plants.

Watering

- ZZ can stay without water for longer than normal plants and grows better with underwatering than overwatering.
- Water the ZZ only when the entire pot soil mix is dry.
- Don't let the soil stay dry for too long, as the plant will use up all the moisture stored in the roots.
- The frequency of watering depends on the amount of light it gets.
- Our ZZ needs watering every 10-15 days depending on the weather.
- The ultimate trick to test soil moisture is to dip a chopstick about 3/4 of its length. If it comes out with a bit of soil clinging to it, do NOT water for a few more days to prevent overwatering our ZZ plant.



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Fertilizers

- Use the fertilizer bought from 'biophelia' once every 15 days.
- Mix 10ml 'Organic Plantonic' in 1 ltr water. Sprinkle on leaves as well as in the soil mix.

Plant Problems

- Thin stems are a sign of unhealthy plant growth, give it more light and fertilise it regularly.
 - Yellow leaves and wrinkled stem are signs of overwatering as well as underwatering. ZZ plant can be literally ignored in terms of watering.
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For Better Growth

- Our ZZ is placed in indirect bright sunlight, so the leaves should not be spaced out that much. Maybe rotate the pot once every month.
- Pluck all yellow leaves. These do not turn back green and will only consume the soil nutrients.
- Regularly clean all the leaves with 4 equal parts of lemon juice and water.
- Cut down any dry stem that has no leaves or has become very wrinkled. The cut should be at 45°.
- Observe good growth of newly appearing shoots.
- Pluck out the 'corn' like shoot that may appear after certain time. These are flowers of the ZZ, but require a lot of water and uses extra nutrients from soil, leaving nothing for other stems and leaves.