

HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT INDOOR PLANTS FOR YOUR HOME

**5 Steps to choosing houseplants that
will thrive and look great in any room of
your home**



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There are five steps to determine which houseplants are best suited to your home:

1. Lighting
2. Temperature
3. Humidity
4. Available Space
5. Ongoing Maintenance



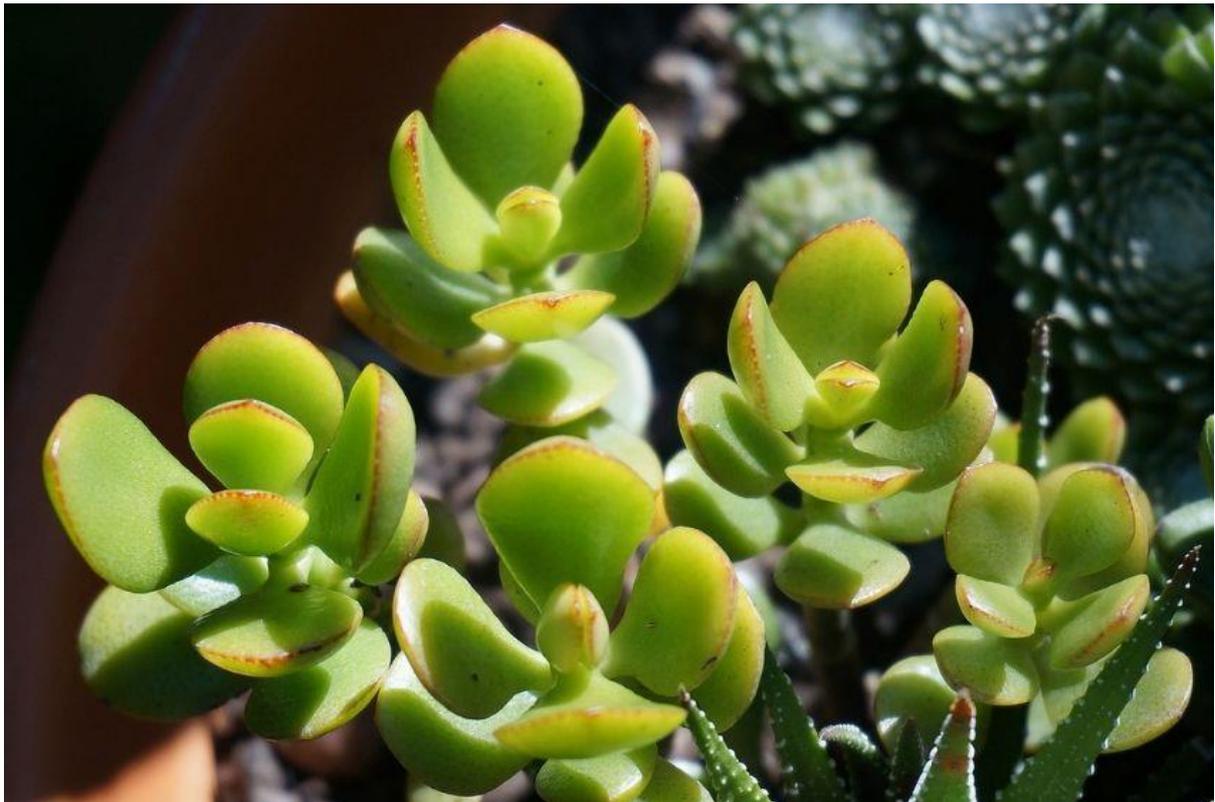
LIGHTING

A common mistake is choosing an indoor plant that isn't suited to the light available in the room.

Before you bring home a new indoor plant, take note of how much sunlight comes into your room.

If there are areas of your house that receive 4 - 6 hours or more of sunlight per day, then the space is perfect for the Bird of Paradise, Fiddle Leaf Fig, Rubber Plant, Jade Plant or Cactus.

On the other hand, if you don't get much natural light inside your home, plants like Peace Lily, Cast Iron Plant and Golden Pothos will do well in these conditions.



TEMPERATURE

What temperature is it inside your home?

Does the temperature fluctuate a lot between daytime and night time?

Temperatures below 50 degrees or rapid temperature fluctuations can damage some plants.

It's best to keep houseplants away from cold drafts, heaters and hot air vents.

Most indoor plants prefer temperatures between 60 - 75°F (15 - 24°).

There are a few houseplants including Pothos, also known as Devil's ivy and Spider plant, that are fairly tolerant to a wide variety of temperatures so they're a good choice if you live in an area with large fluctuations in temperature.



HUMIDITY

Many popular indoor plants are tropical plants that come from naturally humid habitats.

If you don't live in a particularly humid climate, you can still have plants like Bromeliads and Air Plants, they'll just need regular misting.

You can also put them in the bathroom where it's a bit more humid than the rest of the house.



AVAILABLE SPACE

In a smaller home or apartment, you won't have room for a big rubber plant or Fiddle leaf fig, but an African violet produces colorful blooms, is easy to maintain, and takes up little space.

Some other small houseplants include Air plants, Peperomia, Polka Dot plant and succulents.

There are many ways to display your indoor plants when you haven't got a lot of space:

- Wall planters
- Hanging planters
- In a terrarium
- On a vertical planter
- On top of bookcases or shelves
- On a desk or kitchen bench
- On top of the refrigerator
- In the bathtub (if you don't use it often)
- On your bedside table



ONGOING MAINTENANCE

If you travel a lot or work long hours, a low maintenance succulent or cactus would be perfect for you.

Aloe vera, String of Pearls, Zebra plant and many other types of succulents are easy to care for houseplants that only need to be watered every week to two weeks.

I hope that this guide has given you the knowledge to select the right indoor plants for your home.

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