



# HOLLIES



## FACTS

Grow Zone: 2 - 8

Family: Cupressaceae

Genus: Thuja

Native To: North America (2 species), East Asia (3 species)

Mature Height: 5' - 80'

Mature Width: 5' - 20'

Type: Evergreen conifer

Growth Habit: Upright, conical or globular, medium to fast rate

Foliage: Green or golden, flat, lacy fan-shaped needles with scales

Flowers: Inconspicuous

Propagation: Cuttings

Why We Love Hollies:

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## INTERESTING VARIETIES:

- Th'
- ThPillar'
- Thensis

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## FACTS

Grow Zone: 4 - 8

Family: Ericaceae

Genus: Rhododendron

Subgenus: Pentanthera & Azaleastrum

Native To: East Asia (evergreen), Europe & North America (deciduous)

Mature Height: 2' - 8'

Mature Width: 2' - 8'

Type: Evergreen or Deciduous Flowering Shrub

Growth Habit: Upright, mounding, compact

Foliage: Glossy, thin lanceolate leaves with smooth edges. Elepidotes with no scales

Flowers: Showy, funnel-shaped fragrant flowers, Bloom in spring (some rebloom). Wide color range.

Propagation: Graftings, Seeds, Cuttings

*Why We Love Azaleas:*

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# ORNAMENTAL CABBAGE & KALE



## FACTS

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Family: Violaceae

Genus: Viola

Native To: Europe, England, Asia

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Type: Hardy annual / biennial

Growth Habit: Compact mounded

Foliage: Green, alternating ovate to elliptic

Flowers: Showy, 5 single color or dual-colored petals, bloom late fall to early spring

Propagation: Seed, cuttings

*Why We Love Ornamental Cabbage & Kale:*

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# FERNS



## FACTS

Grow Zone: 9 - 11

Family: Asparagaceae

Genus: Dracaena

Section: Sansevieria

Native To: Africa, Madagascar, South Asia

Mature Height: 1' - 10'

Mature Width: 6" - 24"

Type: Evergreen perennial

Growth Habit: Vertical from basal rosette

Foliage: Stiff, oblong, pointed

Flowers: Raceme of various colors, rare indoors

Propagation: Division, Cuttings

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# POTHOS



## FACTS

Grow Zone: 10 - 11

Family: Araceae

Genus: Epipremnum, Scindapsus, Pothos

Native To: Southeast Asia, China, Australia, South Pacific

Mature Height: 12" - 18"

Mature Width: up to 10' long trailing vines

Type: Herbaceous perennial vine

Growth Habit: Epiphytic vining, trailing, climbing

Foliage: Green or variegated wide heart-shaped leaves

Flowers: None or inconspicuous inflorescence

Propagation: Cuttings

### Why We Love Pothos:

The name Pothos is both its own genus and the common name for many vining plants with similar leaf shapes and growth patterns to Epipremnum aureum. They are prized for their beautiful trailing foliage that can "thrive on neglect," withstanding periods of low light or drought. All pothos are a great choice for beginner plant parents.

## LIGHT

Thrives in bright, indirect light but can tolerate medium to low light conditions.

Not suited for direct sunlight.

## WATER

Pothos do best when their soil is allowed to mostly dry out between waterings.

## SOIL

Well-draining. Perlite or coco coir can be added to increase drainage.

Fertilize with a 10-10-10 solution every three months.

*FYI: Pothos was one of the plants included in the original clean air experiments done by NASA. They do clean the air around them of toxins, but in very small quantities.*

## INTERESTING VARIETIES:

- Epipremnum aureum (Golden Pothos, Devil's Vine)
- Epipremnum aureum 'Marble Queen'
- Epipremnum aureum 'Neon'
- Epipremnum pinnatum 'Cebu Blue'
- Epipremnum aureum 'HANSOTI14' (Manjula Pothos)
- Scindapsus pictus (Satin Pothos, Silver Pothos)
- Pothos curtisii
- Philodendron scandens (Heart-leaf Philodendron)

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# CALATHEA



## FACTS

Grow Zone: 9 - 11

Family: Marantaceae

Genus: Calathea or Goeppertia

Native To: Central & South America, Caribbean Islands

Mature Height: 2' - 3'

Mature Width: 1' - 2'

Type: Rhizomatous herbaceous perennial

Growth Habit: Upright, Compact

Foliage: Large, brightly colored bracts with intricate patterns

Flowers: Inconspicuous, white or lavender flowers with 3 petals

Propagation: Division, Rhizomes

### Why We Love Calathea:

Calathea are in the Maranta family, affectionately nicknamed "Prayer Plants" for the way they move. A happy Calathea will be in a different position every time you look at its bright foliage since they move to find the light throughout the day. They're pet-safe too!

## LIGHT

Medium to bright, indirect light is ideal.

They can handle low light but increased light will help maintain their vivid colors and patterns.

## WATER

Calathea have high water requirements.

Thoroughly water when the top 25% of soil is dry. Humidifiers help.

## SOIL

Well-draining soil to ensure their roots don't sit in water.

Fertilize once a month with a 10-10-10 solution during spring and summer.

*FYI: Many Calatheas are now in the genus Goeppertia, but still referred to as Calathea. Their foliage moves in search of light via nycinasty, bending from their joints (aka pulvini).*

## INTERESTING VARIETIES:

- Goeppertia roseopicta
- Goeppertia insignis (Rattlesnake Plant)
- Goeppertia makoyana (Peacock Plant)
- Goeppertia albertii 'Thai Beauty'
- Calathea albertii 'White Tiger'
- Calathea leopardina
- Calathea lancifolia
- Goeppertia lietzei 'White Fusion'
- Goeppertia elliptica 'Vittata'
- Goeppertia orbifolia

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# CACTI



## FACTS

**Grow Zone:** 5 - 11+  
**Order:** Caryophyllales  
**Family:** Cactaceae  
**Genus:** various  
**Native To:** Primarily North, Central, & South Americas  
**Mature Height:** 6" - 40'  
**Mature Width:** 1" - 20'  
**Type:** Succulent perennial  
**Growth Habit:** Most are Columnar, some are globular, arborescent, or epiphytic  
**Foliage:** None, Spines  
**Flowers:** Short-lived, showy flowers in reds, yellows, whites, and other colors  
**Propagation:** Cuttings, or asexual offset "pups"

### Why We Love Cacti:

Cacti are one of the most diverse families of plants in the plant kingdom, including species in nearly every shape and size imaginable. They perform photosynthesis in their stems, where they can hold gallons of water inside. Many make great houseplants that need very little water.

## LIGHT

Bright light to full sun.

Cacti prefer about 10 - 12 hours of light per day but need a minimum of 4 - 6 hours. Avoid more than 14 hours per day.

## WATER

Allow to dry out completely between waterings.

Cacti store water and will usually shrivel as they use up their reserved water.

## SOIL

Cacti grow well in porous, pebbly or sandy soil.




Fertilize once in spring and summer with a 5-10-5 solution.

*FYI: Many cacti grown indoors are prized for their stunning, fragrant flowers. Their roots are typically very shallow. Susceptible to scale, mealybugs & other pests*

## INTERESTING VARIETIES:

- Opuntia basilaris (Prickly Pear)
- Opuntia microdasys (Bunny Ear Cactus)
- Selenicereus grandiflorus (Night-blooming Cereus)
- Ferocactus wislizeni (Candy Barrel Cactus)
- Acanthocereus tetragonus 'Fairy Castle'
- Mammillaria hahniana (Old Lady Cactus)
- Euphorbia trigona (African Milk Tree)
- Gymnocalycium mihanovichii (Moon Cactus)

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