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PLANT TECH CORNER

Taking Care of the ZZ Plant

The ZZ has been around for decades. It is a member of the aroid family. The base of the plant stalks are swollen from which the stem host dark green, naturally shiny leaves.

The ZZ is easy to propagate but develops slowly. Plants are grown in 4 inch up through 14 inch pots. Large plants can reach 3 feet in height and the plant can have a wide spread on it. It works well as an accent plant in areas where it can "Spread its wings".

It handles low light well and the plant even grows. Keep the plant away from any hot direct afternoon sun as the plant can burn. A good bright filtered afternoon sun would work well. Don't let this plant sit in water or stay wet. This plant is better to keep on the dry side.

~ Gabrielle Strauss. *Plant Tech*

Chase Away the Winter Blues

Even with winter upon us, there is much to do at the Botanical Garden tours. Just in our area alone, you can visit the following Gardens and rejuvenate and recharge your batteries, even with the snow on the ground:

New York Botanical Gardens

The New York Botanical Garden
200th Street and Kazimiroff Boulevard
Bronx, NY 10458-5126

General Info: 718.817.8700

Ongoing Exhibit: A World of Plants, and Plants and Fungi

Moore Exhibit: sculpture by internationally acclaimed sculptor Henry Moore Exhibit. Witness the largest outdoor exhibition of the artist's works ever presented in a single venue in America,

Life and Work of George Washington Carver Exhibit

Brooklyn Botanical Garden

900 Washington Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225

General Info: 718.623.7200

Special Theme Tour: Chase Away the Winter Blues; Exposure to daylight. Exposure to daylight, even on a cloudy day, can help restore energy, alertness, and contentment. Learn how to maintain a sunny outlook through dark, cold winter days, and discover the plants and animals that enliven the garden landscape even in the "dead" of winter.

New Jersey Botanical Garden

Ringwood, NJ 07456

General Info: 973.962.9534

Hiking Tour February 22 (Sunday), 10 am-1 pm - Enjoy the quiet beauty of winter on a hike at the Botanical Garden under the expert guidance of members of the Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK). Come prepared with sturdy hiking shoes, water, and lunch. This will be a moderate hike with ups-and-downs, and some terrain may be rugged. Heavy snow cancels, but snow on the ground won't stop our hardy hikers.

PLANT OF THE MONTH

The ZZ Plant

Is a given as a wedding gift because it is symbolic of Eternity. Requires little maintenance and not much light.



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