

Musa or the banana is one of the most well know fruits in the world, as well as being delicious and nutritious some varieties can be grown easily and effectively as houseplants.

Few other leaves give such a tropical look to on indoor collection

The banana has been grown indoors since Victorian times, where they were proudly displayed in their humid, warm, and sunny conservatories. Of course Victorian conservatories were a little different (and significantly bigger) than the ones that we have today, however the basic principle is similar.



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Musa sp.

BANANA- CAVENDISH SUPER DWARF



Light

If growing your own bananas is your aim, outside of a warm tropical zone near the equator, you will need to provide artificial heat and light in winter.

Bright indirect to medium

Watering

A well established banana plant will need copious watering during the warmest months of the year and a good deal more than most houseplants during spring and autumn.

Water when the top 2" of soil is dry.

In summer you could be watering as much as every other day. Cut back in the winter.

Feeding

Feed every 2 weeks during the growing season, do NOT feed when the plant isn't growing. We recommend Espoma Organic Indoor Houseplant Food.

Planting & Care

The banana can grow quickly when it is warm, a new leaf every week of so is not uncommon. "Pups" or young plants will fill small pots quickly so you need to repot them into bigger ones quite frequently, this may be as much as 2-3 times in the first year.

Once the plant is older you can reduce repotting to once a year.

Use an all purpose indoor potting mix. We recommend Black Gold All Purpose Potting Mix.

Avoid leaf shine products

Flower

Uncommon indoors- It is a possibility but the conditions have to be exceptional.

Size

Up to 6 feet tall

Temperature

Never less than 55°F

Humidity

Moderate-high

Care

Average