

Goldfish Plants earned their name because of their masses of red-orange flowers that appear in the Spring and Summer and look a bit like leaping goldfish. If you've ever seen a fully mature plant in a hanging basket in full bloom, it's a wonderful sight. They are profuse bloomers when cared for and add splashes of color. Indoors, these are great cascading plants for a bright sill or can be used in baskets. They are relatively long-lived plants, surviving almost a decade, providing you replot them when necessary and keep them away from air that is too dry or cold. The original plant has been extensively hybridized, so pick a plant based on its vigor and flower color.



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Nematanthus gregarius

GOLDFISH PLANT



Light

Goldfish Plants prefer bright light, but don't like direct light. An eastern facing window is perfect. We correct lighting, these plants could have flowers year-round.

Bright indirect/Medium

Watering

During Summer, water generously and keep the soil continuously moist. In the Winter, cut back on the water and allow the soil to become slightly drier. This seems to encourage better blooming. Be aware that the soil should never dry completely out. Plants can be misted almost daily or placed on a tray of wet pebbles to increase humidity.

Feeding

Apply Jack's® Classic Blossom Booster 10-30-20 liquid fertilizer twice a month between Spring and late Summer.

Planting & Care

Grow your plant in Black Gold® African Violet Mix soil. Don't pack the soil tightly around the roots. In the wild, Goldfish Plants are epiphytes. Set in indirect light, out of drafts. They like to be slightly root-bound so repot only when tightly root-bound every 2-3 years.

Size

The plant gets 8-12" tall, but stems hang 1-2 feet from the edge of the container.

Flower

Flowers are small, orangish-gold and look kind of like little goldfish and are abundant on the plant.

Temperature

65-75°F

Humidity

Moderate to High

Care

Average

Cultivars

- 'BLACK GOLD'
- 'TROPICANA'
- 'VARIEGATA'