String of turtles is a tiny succulent native to the Brazilian Rainforests. It thrives in warm climates but adapts well to average household conditions.

The plants attractive leaf shape is what gives the plant its common name. Each one looks like the shell of a miniature turtle strung together. Every tiny leaf on its trailing vine has intricate multi-colored patterns covering its surface.

Its uniqueness makes is a great addition to any houseplant collection.





Peperomia prostrata

# **PEPEROMIA** 'STRING OF TURTLES'



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## Light

Bright indirect light, keeping them in full sun will damage the leaves

**Bright indirect** 

## Watering

String of turtles plants tend to suffer from overwatering more than they do dry conditions. The plant is native to the Brazilian rainforest, so it prefers slightly moist conditions. Make sure the pot has drainage holes, water well, then let the soil dry out between waterings.

Avoid overwatering by drenching the soil till water runs out the bottom of the pot, and the soil is thoroughly moist. Do not water the plant again until the top two inches of soil have dried out.

#### Feeding

Feeding string of turtles will help the plant maintain a bright shiny vigor and ensure that the leaves' color and patterns are held throughout the growing season. Feed it with a houseplant fertilizer biweekly during the growing season, we recommend **Espoma Organic Indoor** Houseplant Food—fertilizing is not recommended during the fall or winter months.

## **Planting & Care**

Use a peat based all purpose mix. we recommend Black **Gold All Purpose Indoor Mix** amended with a bit horticultural charcoal.

Peperomia's need some air around their roots, they don't like the soil to be tightly packed around them. They also like to be a bit pot bound.

## Flower

The flowers are a long, skinny 1/2 to 1 inch-long spike resembling a rat tail. They are natural to the plant but hardly attractive

## Size

12" in length, 3-4" wide

#### **Temperature** 68-85°F

## Humidity

Average-High Ensure the leaves are not kept wet.

#### Care Average

