

If you provide the right conditions, Trailing Watermelon Begonia can make a wonderful and interesting trailing plant, with pretty variegated leaves aligned in a flat plane on either side of the stem. These plants LOVE humidity and do not like cold drafts at all. They are native to tropical Asia and are an understory plant.



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Pellionia repens

TRAILING WATERMELON BEGONIA



Light

Pellionia are a definite understory plant. They dislike direct sunlight and will easily burn if exposed to the straight rays of the sun. At most, they can survive in an east-facing window.

Bright indirect/Medium light

Watering

Pellionia are moisture and humidity lovers. They should never be allowed to dry out, even during the Winter season, and high humidity is a must. Get in the habit of spritzing the plants daily, or grow them in a bathroom or other naturally humid environment. If your leaves brown, the most common cause is low humidity.

Feeding

Apply a balanced liquid fertilizer (Espoma® Organic Indoor Liquid Organic Plant Food) every 2 weeks from Spring to Fall.

Planting & Care

Grow with Black Gold® All Purpose soil in a pot that will accommodate the root ball. Plants that are stressed by too little humidity, too much sunlight, and/or cold drafts quickly begin to develop brown leaf margins and decline. Pinch off the small flowers as soon as they emerge to help keep the plant vigorous. Repot annually in the Spring.

Flower

This plant is grown for foliage and has a fairly insignificant tiny green blooms.

Size

These vines can trail 1-2 feet long.

Temperature

65-85°F

Humidity

High

Care

Difficult