Tall and elegant, this plant should be given space to show off its arching stems of small green or variegated cream leaves. Not the easiest of plants, it has a tendency to drop its leaves but it makes a striking focal point if you can provide the exact conditions it demands.

In their natural habitat they can get up to 50 feet tall but will be much smaller in your home. Trimming can keep it a reasonable size as well.



Ficus benjamina

## WEEPING FIG



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## Light

Although this plant can live in low-light situations, it will be fuller and grow better in a bright light, even full sun.

**Bright indirect/Medium** 

### Watering

Use lukewarm unsoftened water and allow the top quarter of the potting soil to dry out between waterings. Keep a consistent schedule to avoid leaves turning yellow or black, or falling off. Changes in growing situations will cause it to drop leaves. Drying out and overwatering will trigger this, so try to keep it evenly moist.

### **Feeding**

Apply a balanced liquid fertilizer (Jack's® Classic All Purpose 20-20-20) once a month in Spring and Summer.

### **Planting & Care**

Grow with Black Gold® All Purpose soil or well draining soil with perlite in a pot that fits the root ball. Place in bright indirect light, away from direct sun and drafts. In Winter, move it away from heaters. Repot every 2-3 years when root-bound.

#### **Size**

This plant is normally in the 2- 10 feet range indoors and up to 4 feet wide.



#### **Flower**

It rarely flowers indoors.

## **Temperature**

## **Humidity**Moderate

# Care Difficult



#### **Cultivars**

- 'Neon Marguerite' A variety with darker green blotches on bright chartreuse leaves. The older leaves turn to a darker green.
- 'Starlight' A beautiful green variety with lots of white variegation.
- 'Benji'