

This has become one of the most popular houseplants in the past few years as it can take low light and still look amazing. The leaves are upright and are made up of many leaflets on each rachis (stem of a compound leaf), the actual "stem" being the underground tuberous rhizomes.

The long, leafy stems of the ZZ Plant form a large, vase-shaped plant that will grow almost anywhere, as it tolerates both sun and shade, as well as low levels of humidity. Perfect for beginners, the glossy foliage makes a good foil for more glamorous leaves and flowers.



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*Zamioculcas zamiifolia*

## ZZ PLANT



## Light

While it is true this plant can tolerate low light levels for quite some time, it would prefer a medium to bright light to grow well.

Bright indirect/ Medium

## Watering

This plant has been touted as extremely drought tolerant, and whereas it can take long periods between waterings, this depends on the level of light it is growing in. If it dries down too much, it will drop leaflets. Allow the top of the potting soil to dry out between waterings from Spring to Fall; water once a month in Winter.

## Feeding

Feed every other month during the growing season with a balanced houseplant fertilizer, such as Espoma Organic Indoor Houseplant Food.

## Planting & Care

Grow with Black Gold® Cactus Mix soil or well draining soil in a pot that fits the root ball. Medium or bright indirect light is ideal, but it will grow in gloomier spots. Trim in Spring to create a good shape. Repot every 2-3 years.

## Size

This plant can reach up to 3 feet tall and 2 feet wide

## Flower

The flower may appear, consisting of a white spadix surrounded by a white spathe. This may not happen in the home, but as this plant is grown for its beautiful foliage, the flowers would be an added bonus.

## Temperature

60-75°F

## Humidity

Low

## Care

Easy

## Cultivars

Zamico ZZ– Charming dwarf variety that stays more compact.

Raven ZZ– Dark, purple-black foliage that contrasts nicely to other houseplants. Grown exclusively in North America by Costa Farms