■ Beginner’s Guide to Air Plants

Easy Care • Endless Display Ideas • Naturally Beautiful

What Are Air Plants?

Air plants (Tillandsia) are unique and low-maintenance plants that don’t need soil to grow. Instead, they absorb water and nutrients through their leaves. This makes them incredibly versatile and fun to display almost anywhere in your home.

■ How to Care for Your Air Plants

Light

1. Air plants love bright, indirect light.
2. A windowsill, bright bathroom, or well-lit shelf is ideal.
3. Avoid harsh, direct sunlight for long periods, as it can scorch their leaves.

Watering

1. Rainwater or filtered water is best — they don’t like chemicals in tap water.
2. Allow water to reach room temperature before use.
3. Misting: Lightly mist 2–3 times per week.
4. Soaking: Every week or two, soak in water for 20–30 minutes, shake off excess, and dry upside-down.
5. In humid rooms (like bathrooms), they may need less frequent watering.

Air Circulation

1. Good air movement helps them dry properly and stay healthy.
2. Avoid closed containers or stagnant air for long periods.

Temperature

1. Keep between 12°C and 30°C.
2. Avoid cold draughts or direct heat sources.

Feeding

1. Use specialist air plant or bromeliad fertiliser once a month in spring and summer.
2. Mix feed into your spray or soak water following the packet instructions.

■ Display Ideas

1. Mounted on driftwood or bark – use solvent-free glue or fishing line.
2. In seashells or small ceramic bowls – perfect for windowsills or desks.
3. Hanging glass terrariums – fill with sand, stones, or moss.
4. Wall frames or hanging wire holders – turn them into living art.
5. Miniature log or cork pieces – create a natural woodland look.
6. Bathroom décor – enjoy their love of humidity while adding greenery.

■ Quick Tips

1. Soak or mist regularly, depending on humidity.

2. Always let them dry fully after watering.
3. Never plant them in soil.
4. Use rainwater when possible.
5. Enjoy rearranging your displays — they love variety!

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