

Alocasia hybrids

An Alocasia is also called an Elephant Ear Plant or African Mask Plant. They have large, dark-green, glossy, heart-shaped leaves with wavy edges. Their leaves come in red, bronze, blue-green and purple. These plants are poisonous and should be kept away from pets and children.

Light: Requires very bright indirect light and **NO** direct sun or the leaves will burn.

Water: Allow the top 2"- 3" of the soil to dry out before watering and keep the soil evenly moist. Over-watering, wet leaves and soggy soil make the plant susceptible to fungal infections. Water less during the winter when it is dormant.

Fertilizing: Fertilize every two weeks from late Spring through early Fall with a basic houseplant food at ½ the recommended strength. No fertilizer is necessary during the winter months because this is when plant growth naturally slows down.



TIPS:

- They grow best in high humidity and to increase the humidity, place the plant on a tray filled with pebbles and water. Be sure it is sitting on the pebbles and not in the water.
- Alocasias are mildly toxic to pets and humans.