



Here's a care and handling guide for Aglaonema, commonly known as Chinese Evergreen:

#### Aglaonema Care and Handling Guide:

##### 1. Light:

Aglaonema prefers low to medium light conditions. They can tolerate lower light levels, making them suitable for indoor spaces with limited natural light.

Avoid direct sunlight as it can scorch the leaves. Indirect or filtered light is ideal.

##### 2. Watering:

Allow the top inch of the soil to dry out before watering. Aglaonema is sensitive to overwatering, and its roots can rot if the soil is consistently waterlogged.

Water sparingly during the winter months when the plant's growth slows down.

##### 3. Soil:

Use a well-drained, peat-based potting mix. A mix designed for tropical plants is suitable.

Repot the plant every 1-2 years or when you notice the soil becoming compacted.

##### 4. Temperature and Humidity:

Aglaonema thrives in temperatures between 65°F to 80°F (18°C to 27°C).

Maintain moderate to high humidity levels. If your indoor environment is too dry, consider placing a humidity tray or using a humidifier.

##### 5. Fertilization:

Feed the plant with a balanced liquid fertilizer every 4-6 weeks during the growing season (spring and summer).

Reduce fertilization in the fall and winter when the plant is not actively growing.

##### 6. Pruning:

Trim yellow or damaged leaves regularly to encourage new growth.

Remove any flowers that may appear, as Aglaonema is primarily grown for its attractive foliage.

##### 7. Pests and Diseases:

Keep an eye out for common pests like spider mites and mealybugs. If detected, treat them promptly with insecticidal soap or neem oil.

Ensure good air circulation to prevent fungal issues.

#### 8. Propagation:

Aglaonema can be propagated through division. When repotting, separate the plant into smaller sections with roots attached and plant them in individual pots.

#### 9. Decorative Pot and Placement:

Choose a decorative pot with drainage holes to prevent waterlogging.

Place Aglaonema in a location where it receives filtered or indirect light, such as near a north or east-facing window.

#### 10. Grooming:

Wipe the leaves occasionally with a damp cloth to remove dust and keep the foliage looking vibrant.

Remember that individual plants may have specific needs, so monitor your Aglaonema closely and adjust care accordingly. With proper attention, Aglaonema can be a beautiful and resilient addition to your indoor plant collection.