

# **There are No Houseplants!**

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All plants that we call “houseplants” are really outdoor plants that we bring indoors! These are some popular houseplants

1. Easy to grow and maintain: Pothos, Mother-in-law-tongue
2. Ficus family
  - a. Benjamina
  - b. Creeping ficus
  - c. Rubber plants
  - d. Fiddle leaf
3. Peace lily – not really a lily! This plant likes a lot of water
4. Spider plants
5. Ferns
  - a. Birds nest
  - b. Maiden Hair – can be a perennial!
6. Common English Ivy – watch for insects, who really like this plant
7. Succulents – all kinds of textures, colours, and flowers
8. Part-time houseplants who can spend part of the year outdoors
  - a. Orchids
  - b. Geranium
  - c. Hibiscus

9. Plants that are sensitive to the number of hours we get natural light - Christmas cactus, Poinsettia
10. Cool temperature plan - Cyclamen e.g. place on a cool windowsill
11. Struggling with a low light corner? Try Chinese Evergreen or Rainforest Sunset. Be careful with Dumb Cane – it's sap is poisonous!
12. Air plants – no soil! They draw nutrients from the air

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