MomZee Garden Succulent Care Tips

1. Make Sure Your Succulents Get Enough Light

Succulents love light and need about six hours of sun per day, depending on the type of succulent. Newly planted succulents can scorch in direct sunlight, so you may need to gradually introduce them to full sun exposure or provide shade with a sheer curtain. Place your succulent arrangement where it will get indirect or filtered light.

2. Rotate Succulents Frequently

Succulents love direct sun, but if yours is sitting in the same exact spot day after day, it's likely that only one side is getting enough light. MomZee Garden suggests rotating the potted plants often. Succulents will lean towards the sun, so rotating them will help them stand up straight. (Leaning may also be a sign that they need to be in a sunnier spot.)

3. Water According to the Season

Just like us, succulents need more energy when they are in a period of growth. During the spring and summer, the plants are thriving and drinking up much more water than when they are resting in the fall and winter. Testing the soil with a finger—when the top 1.25 inches are dry, grab your watering can. Overwatering can kill your succulent, so make sure you let the soil dry between each watering.

4. Water the Soil Directly

When you water your succulents, soak the soil until water runs out of the drainage holes. Don't use a spray bottle to water your succulents—misting can cause brittle roots and moldy leaves. MomZee Garden recommends bottom watering by placing the pot in a pan of water and allow the water to absorb through the drainage hole. Once the top of the soil is moist, remove from the pan.

*For wine bottle arrangement, if you would like the excess water to run out, just pull the wine cork and voila, you have a drainage hole.

**For succulent frame, as mentioned above, water soil directly and only water when soil is dry. Since there is a layer of moss on top of the soil, that will be hard to determine so it is recommended to water once a month and not water at all during the winter months.

Succulents do not like to sit in waterlogged soil, so drainage is important to prevent rot. Your container, as much as possible, should have a drainage hole to allow excess water to escape.

5. Keep Succulents Clean

"Wherever they are, plants will gradually pick up dust on their surface, which can inhibit their growth. Wipe off the leaves and spines gently with a damp cloth. MomZee Jen always use a soft paintbrush to get at hard-to-reach spots.

6. Get Rid of Bugs

Pests should not be a problem for indoor succulents, but occasionally you may have to deal with bugs. Gnats are attracted to succulents that are planted in soil that is too wet and do not have proper drainage. To get rid of eggs and larvae, spray the soil with 70 percent isopropyl alcohol or insect killing soap. Mealybugs are another pest succulent owners have to deal with. Overwatering and overfertilizing are the common causes of mealybugs. Move infected plants away from other succulents and spray with 70 percent isopropyl alcohol or insect killing soap.

7. Fertilize Succulents in the Summer

Succulents do not need much fertilizer, but you can give them light feedings during the spring and summer growing season. Be careful not to overfertilize—this can cause your succulent to grow too quickly and become weak. Honestly, MomZee Jen seldom use fertilizer on her succulents. However, she's been using organic soil when planting and replace the top soil of her plants yearly.

IMPORTANT: Once you received your succulents, please wait 7-10 days before watering them. Remember, bottom watering is highly recommended. Thank you!

Thank you! Your purchase is very much appreciated. ♥ MomZee Jen

