

Monstera

Monstera deliciosa aka “Swiss Cheese Philodendron”



Young plant before it develops “swiss cheese”



Older “Swiss Cheeseey” specimen

Monstera, (not really a philodendron), is a fascinating plant that is coming back in style – and why not? It’s a great shade loving plant for patio containers or indoors in a sunny room. While it can flower and produce edible fruit, it rarely does so unless planted in a tropical environment. Younger foliage is smooth and not “cut”. The cuts develop as the plant matures – a good reason to keep it in a pot so it can be protected in the event of a freeze. Provide bright light or filtered sun – water when dry– do NOT overwater or keep moist. It prefers to dry out a bit between waterings.