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Cactus Care Guide

Thank you for purchasing a Cactus from DJA Plants. Your Cactus was grown from seed in our greenhouse in Cheshire. With the correct care it will grow with you and be a part of your life for many years to come.

Light – Cacti originate from the American continent where they receive a lot of light so your new Cacti is going to want to live in a really bright spot in your home for it to really flourish.

Water – Between April to September only. When light levels and temperature drops your cactus will have a little rest (and we all need rest time!) so don't water over winter.

As a general rule, water when the soil is dry and not just looks dry but is dry all the way through. If your cactus is continually in damp soil the roots will rot and your cactus will die.

Like most of us, your cactus loves nothing more than a good drink. So, when you do water don't be stingy, don't only add a tiny amount of water and please do not mist your cactus ever. During the growing season (April – September) water every 7-10 days or when the compost has completely dried out. Water until the it starts to come out of the bottom of the pot (you may want to ensure your cactus is sitting in a dish or on the draining board when you do this) if any water is in the dish after 1 hour empty it into the sink. Your cactus will now be happy for another week or two. You may want to make a little note on your calendar when you watered as although cacti can withstand long periods with no water if you want to optimise growth you need to water regularly.

Feeding – Although cacti can live without being fed if you want optimal growth I would recommend feeding it once a month with a specialist Cacti feed which is available from most garden centres or online shopping platforms.

Going on holiday – If you go on holiday or work away from home of course your cactus will miss you greatly but it will survive, water before you go and it will be waiting eagerly for your return when you can water it again. No need to leave it in the bath on a damp towel or have your mom come round to water.

Repotting – with proper care your cactus will grow and will need repotting. Take a look at our website where there is a guide to repotting your Cactus.

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