

Snake Plant

Dracaena trifasciata

This is an easy-to-grow houseplant that tolerates a wide range of cultural and environmental conditions. It prefers warm, sunny locations, but tolerates some shade. Protect from hot afternoon sun. Best grown in a soil based potting mix. Water regularly during the growing season, with significantly reduced watering from fall to late winter. Do not pour water on the center of the rosette. Wider than normal clay pots are often used to make sure this tall and narrow plant is stable and does not topple over. Indoor plants may be taken to shady outside locations in summer.

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Type: Herbaceous perennial

USDA hardiness zones: Winter hardy to 10 to 12

Uses: Houseplant or in the landscape

Origin: Native to Nigeria

Height: 2 to 4 feet **Spread:** 1 to 2 feet

Plant spacing: 2 to 3 feet

Light requirement: Sun, partial shade.

Soil preferences: soil based potting mixture

Drought tolerance: Water regularly, do not pour water on the center of the rosette

Soil salt tolerances: good tolerance

Invasive potential: High invasion risk, so keep this plant in pots.

Pest resistance: no serious insect or disease problems



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Poison Severity:

Low severity to humans.
Poisonous to dogs and cats.