



INDOOR PLANTS

# Hoya Wax Flower

## Hoya sp.

Hoyas make great house plants due to their easy care and low maintenance. They have thick, succulent leaves that form trailing or climbing vines and perform wonderfully in hanging baskets. The foliage can be long, round or curled and the flowers vary in colour, size and shape. It can take a few years for Hoyas to flower, so patience is key.

### How to grow:

Hoyas require a well-lit spot, especially if flowering is desired. They will grow happily in low light areas under a patio or inside the house, keeping in mind the growth will slow down with less light. They prefer to be in protected, draught-free areas away from heating and cooling systems.

Hoyas require very little water. Only water when the soil becomes dry. If the roots become waterlogged, the leaves will turn yellow and drop.

Due to their small root systems, Hoyas rarely require repotting. You can use a potting mix for succulents, or any premium, free-draining potting medium. Incorporating some perlite into the mix will help with drainage.

Liquid feed during the warmer months using a weak solution if required.

Your Hoya may need its foliage dusted every now and then so that it can breathe, but otherwise will require very little maintenance. It is important to refrain from cutting the stems where your flowers have developed, as the plant will flower on the same stalk the next year.