

Houseplant Varieties for Beginners

Easy-to-Care-for Plants:

Spider Plant (*Chlorophytum comosum*):

- **Description:** Resilient and adaptable, with arching green leaves and small white flowers.
- **Care:** Thrives in indirect light but tolerates low light. Water when the top inch of soil is dry.

Pothos (*Epipremnum aureum*):

- **Description:** Hardy with heart-shaped leaves, available in various shades of green and variegation.
- **Care:** Can thrive in low light and with infrequent watering. Water when the top half of the soil is dry.

Philodendron (*Philodendron* spp.):

- **Description:** Known for their attractive foliage and vining growth habit.
- **Care:** Low maintenance, ideal for beginners. Prefers indirect light and moderate watering.

Tips for New Plant Parents:

Basic Care Instructions:

- **Light:** Ensure proper light levels based on the plant's needs (e.g., indirect light for most beginner plants).
- **Water:** Water plants according to their specific requirements, avoiding overwatering.
- **Humidity:** Maintain proper humidity levels, especially for tropical plants, using a humidity tray or misting.

Common Mistakes to Avoid:

- **Overwatering:** This is the most common mistake. Always check the soil moisture before watering.
- **Insufficient Light:** Place plants in appropriate light conditions to prevent leggy growth and poor health.
- **Ignoring Plant Needs:** Research specific care requirements for each plant type and monitor their health regularly.