

POINSETTIA

(Euphorbia pulcherrima)

Here are some tips to help keep your Poinsettias looking great through the holidays.

- *Keep plants in a bright cool area.
- *Avoid sudden temperature changes.
- *Keep plants away from heater vents and drafts.
- *Keep soil evenly moist, but not soggy.
- *Do not let water stand in pot saucers.
- *Remove decorative foil so water can drain properly.

After Holiday Care:

- *When leaves fall in late winter or early spring, cut stems back to 2 buds, reduce watering to a minimum.
- *Store in a protected area until frosts are past, set pots in a sunny location outdoors.
- *Plants will rebloom indoors only when they experience long nights. Do not keep them where artificial lights will disturb their necessary 14 hour sleep. Starting in October, put plants in a dark closet or provide darkness for the night for 10 weeks until bracts begin to show color.

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